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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship BAGDAD, 1,271 Tons, 180 H.P., Commander J. Belworth, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd March 1873, at 4 P.M.

March 1873.		March 1873.
Leave BOMBAY	Leave Tuticorin	
" Ratnagherry	" Colombo	31
" Vingorla	" Galle	April 1
" Carwar	" Nowrasfara	4
" Mangalore	" Pondicherry	5
" Cannanore	" Cadras	7
" Tellicherry	" Coconada	9
" Calicut	" Vizagapatam	10
" Beypore	" Bimlipatam	10
" Cochin	" Masulipatam	11
" Alleppy	" False Point	12
	Arrive CALCUTTA	14

The British India Steam Navigation Company's Steamers sail at Goa regularly.

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Nuddea Sanitarium, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore, and proceed to those places by rail. Passengers for Calcutta may take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchangine Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MAHOMERAH, and BUSSORAH.

The Steam-ship CASHMERE, 1,082 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander T. Saunders, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 28th March 1873, at 2 P.M.

March 1873.		April 1873.
Leave POMBAY	Leave BUSHEH	16
" Kurrachee April 1	" Fao	16
" Guadur 2	" Kuweit	16
" Muscat 4	" Bushire	18
" Bunder Abbas 6	" Linga	23
" Linga 8	" Bunder Abbas	25
" Bahrein 8	" Muscat	27
" Pundree 10	" Guadur	29
" Fao 12	" Kurrachee May 2	
Arrive BUSHEH 13	Arrive BOMBAY	5

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, commencing from the 28th September 1872.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander R. Hendrick, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 21st March 1873, at 2 o'clock.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

BLUE CROSS LINE.

TO LEAVE ABOUT 8TH APRIL.

THE fine new full-powered S.S. GREEHAM, 1,811 tons register, has very superior accommodation for First-class Passengers only. The Cabins are all on the upper deck with large windows, and there is a handsome dining saloon 60 feet in length. She carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

Rates of Passage Money, exclusive of Wines and Beer, which can be had on board, of good quality and at reasonable rates.

TO LIVERPOOL	Rs. 500
TO MALTA	Rs. 400

For Passage apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co.

"WILSON" LINE.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO LEAVE ABOUT 10TH APRIL.

THE S.S. YEDDO, 1 808 Tons Register, has superior accommodation (semi-saloon) with Saloon on Upper Deck. She carries a SURGEON and STEWARDESS.

Rates of Passage Money, exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on Board,

TO LIVERPOOL	Rs. 500.

For Passage and further particulars apply to

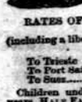
GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

N. B.—To be followed by the HIDALGO and XANTHO.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, VIA SUEZ CANAL.



THE Steamer ARETUSA, 1,280 Tons, will be despatched for TRIESTE, via SUEZ CANAL, on or about the 19th March. This Steamer has only limited accommodation for a small number of Passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE, EXCLUSIVE OF WINES AND SPIRITS.

(including a liberal Table and free conveyance of 3 cwt. luggage).

	Cabin.	Deck with Food.
To Trieste	£40	£19-0
To Port Said	£30	£16-0
To Suez	£26	£13-7

Children under 2 years of age, Free; above 2 and under 10 years, Half Fare.

Cargo taken for Trieste, Venice, Constantinople, and Odessa.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

A. C. GUMPERT, Manager.

Bombay, 12, Meadow Street, 28th February 1873.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL.)

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

The regular Steamers leave

GENOA on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGER RATES.

Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.
Aden	£22	£15	£6
Suez	26	22	8
Port Said	28	24	9
Alexandria	29	25	9-10
Messina	50	34	14
Naples	50	34	14
Leghorn	50	34	14
Genoa	50	34	14
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)	52	35	14-10

Including Wines. Without Food.

Children under 2 years, free of charge.
Children not above 10 years, half fare

Next Steamers from Bombay:—

ASIA, on TUESDAY, 1st APRIL 1873.
ARABIA, on THURSDAY, 1st MAY 1873.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For Hand-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., apply to

VOLKART BROTHERS,
Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 6th November 1871.

P. and O. S. N. COMPANY.

NOTICE.

ALTERATION OF SAILING DATES.

VIA THE CANAL.

The following or other FIRST CLASS SHIPS will SAIL on the undermentioned dates for SOUTHAMPTON, via the CANAL:—

ARABIA	3,660 Tons	at 3 P.M.	on 31st March.
KHEDIVE	3,742 "	at 6 P.M.	on 14th April.
CEYLON	3,012 "	450 "	on 28th "
DECCAN	3,138 "	600 "	on 12th May.

FARES.

First Class	Rs. 560
Second Class	" 360

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 27 Passport Row, 27th February 1873.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Monday, the 24th March, 1873, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. HYDASPES, (2 984 tons, and 450 H.P.) Captain J. M. Rogers, R.N.R., will LEAVE for SUEZ, as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Venice, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Messina, Naples, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Ancona, Marseilles Havre, Liverpool, London, and New York.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

CONTINENTAL RAILWAY TICKETS.—For the CONVENIENCE of PASSENGERS by the PENINSULAR and ORIENTAL COMPANY, RAILWAY TICKETS to PARIS and LONDON can now be obtained at the Company's Agencies at Suez, Brindisi and Venice.

GEO. F. HENRY,
Superintendent, P. & O. Company.

Bombay, 22nd February 1873.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 25th March, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. TANJORE, (2,245 tons and 400 H.P.) Captain A. H. Johnson, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 22nd March.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

MESSRS. HUGHES and NEPHEW'S well-known and favourite Passenger Steam-ships will SAIL from BOMBAY as under:—

About 30th March—"ATALANTA," 2,300 Tons, 400 H.P. G. Mathews, Commander.

About 5th May—"BELLONA," 1,900 Tons, 300 H.P., J. C. Shaw, Commander, (late of the well-known Passenger Ship "SIR WALTER SCOTT."

These magnificent full-powered Steamers are spl-ndidly fitted up for Passengers and possess every comfort.

By special Arrangement, each Steamer will carry an experienced Indian Surgeon.

Fare ..... £45, exclusive of Wines, Beer, &c., but including Cabin Furniture, Bedding Linen, &c.

For Passages only, apply to the Undersigned, who will supply all information.

Plans of the Cabins can be seen at the Office.

JOHNSON & Co.,
Nesbit Lane, Fort, Bombay. Ship-Brokers.

BROACH AND GOGO FERRY.

STEAM FERRY (under Contract with Government).—A STEAM FERRY BOAT plies between BROACH and GOGO.

FARES FROM BROACH TO GOGO.

First Class	...	...	...	...	Rs. 5 0
Second Class	...	...	...	...	" 3 8
Third Class	...	...	...	...	" 1 8
Horses	...	...	...	...	" 4 0
Carriages	...	...	...	...	" 4 0

Until further Notice, the Steam Ferry Boat will leave Gogo every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY, and Broach every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY.

Further particulars can be learnt on application to the Undermentioned Agents:—

FURDOONJEE JEEVUNJEE at Broach.
DUNKER NARRAYEN at Gogo.
Or to the Undersigned at Bombay.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

No 33, Meadow Street, Bombay, 9th October 1872.

HOMEWARD PASSENGERS VIA BOMBAY.

PASSAGES to SUEZ and EUROPE ENGAGED, without CHARGE for COMMISSION and BAGGAGE RECEIVED and SHIPPED.

PAY and FUND ALLOWANCES Realised.

CIRCULAR NOTES issued payable in EGYPT and throughout EUROPE.

BANK of ENGLAND NOTES, SOVEREIGNS, and NAPOLEONS supplied.

BILLS GRANTED on Messrs. Grindlay & Co., London, at the Exchange of the Day.

APPROVED DRAFTS on Calcutta and Madras, on demand, and GOVERNMENT CURRENCY NOTES of any Circle of payment received at par.

GRINDLAY, GROOM & CO., Bombay.
Correspondents.
Grindlay & Co., London. Grindlay & Co., Calcutta.

GENERAL AVERAGE per s. s. RJAELAND.—Consignees of CARGO per s. s. STAELLAND, arrived from Liverpool, are requested before taking DELIVERY of their GOODS, to produce INVOICES, and to pay a deposit of one per cent. on the value, TWO Average Bonds being prepared, and will be circulated for signature immediately.

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.

Bombay, 14th March 1873.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES per Ship KINGDOM OF FIFE, Captain Lovins, from London, are requested to DEPOSIT BOAT-TO TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS, otherwise the same will be landed by the Captain without further intimation at the risk and expense of the concerned.

REMINGTON & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 15th March 1873.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per s. s. ATHOLL arrived from Liverpool, are requested to SEND their BILLS of LADING and DELIVERY ORDERS for our inspection and count-signature, and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS from the Bunder.

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents, s.s. Atholl.

Bombay, 18th March 1873.

J. & E. ATKINSON,

WHOLESALE AND EXPORT PERFUMERY, AND FANCY SOAP MANUFACTURERS,

24, OLD BOND STREET, LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1799.

Prize Medals, London, 1862; Paris, 1867.
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Messrs. J. & E. Atkinson's Goods obtained the only Medal for Perfumery."

ATKINSON'S CELEBRATED WHITE ROSE AND OTHER PERFUMES.

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ATKINSON'S CELEBRATED BROWN WINDSOR SOAP, &c.

N.B.—All Perfumes, Lavender Waters, Eau de Cologne, &c., manufactured "in Bond," and shipped duty free at great reduction.

PRICE LIST ON APPLICATION.

CAUTION.—Many spurious imitations are now sold of Messrs. J. & E. Atkinson's Goods; orders should therefore be sent direct or through commission houses of repute. Their goods are kept by all respectable dealers throughout the World.

Wholesale Agents in Bombay. .....D. S. KEMP & Co.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

AUCTION SALE OF COTTON.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at or about 3 P.M., Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at he undermentioned places, on account and at the risk of Messrs. Hormusjee Bomanjee Touche and Co., by order of Govindass Lukmundass, Esq.

At Victoria Bunder—
93 Bales pressed Oomrawuttee Cotton.
At Apollo Reclamation—
119 Pressed Bales New Barsee Cotton.
30 do. do. New Hingunghat Cotton.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required from the purchaser, and the remainder of the purchase money will be expected to be paid within 3 days from the date of the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 21st inst., at 3 P.M., Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at Khetwady, the undermentioned Landed Property, on account and at the risk of the Mooty por Vithuldass Sivlal, by order of Bajaram Govundram, the Mortgagee.—

All that piece or parcel of Government land or garden ground, together with messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate at Khetwady, outside the Fort, in the sub-district of Rhooleshwar, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 136, and assessed under No. 2,930 and 4,977 and in number on map Nos. 738 and 739, and admeasuring about 493-9 square yards, and bounded on the east by Khetwady 5th Cross Road, on the west and north by the property of Nillajee Lumxmejee, and on the south by the property of Raghoonath Gumbajee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Shapurjee and Thakurdass, Solicitors, or to the undersigned.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 21st March 1873.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE AND COMPANY, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of an assortment of New, Fancy, and Miscellaneous Goods recently imported from Europe, at the Shop No. 14, Apollo Street, Fort.

(Opposite the Old Secretariat Office.)

Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, on account of whom it may concern, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at 1 P.M., at the abovenamed shop, a large assortment of new and miscellaneous goods, consisting of ready-made watches, porcelain and glass ware, pots and vases, gilt time-pieces, few engravings in maple and other frames, panorama bills, glass accat bottle, an invoice of iron painted bedsteads, 6 feet 6 by 4 feet, and 6 feet 6 by 5 feet, of various colours, pieces of oil flooring, enamelled leather, Gladstone's bags, Wellington leggings, japanned tin hats, dressing bags, railway companions, Beech's Wellington's arms and without arms chair, assorted perfume and other soaps, fish dishes, coloured glass wall boxes glass domes of sizes, single and rocking horses, besides sundry miscellaneous articles, &c.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 22nd inst. at 11 A.M., Messrs DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Room, No. 12 Apollo Street, Fort, the household furniture of a Gentleman, comprising an English telescopic dining table (forming two pairs only), chiffonier, dressing and round tables, toilet glasses, clothes press, chest of drawers, screen, child's perambulator, a small box, globe lamps, clock, pictures, round tea trays, a pair of small porcelain vases, a few lots of reading books, a lot of China matting, &c.

A large fireproof safe by "Samuel Whitfield and Sons," Birmingham. 3 cases of chesnut fruits.

A quantity of grey and coloured piece goods, consisting of shirtings, mushrooms, jaconets, scarfs, chuties, a few cases of chintz, and 2 cases of muslin, &c.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co

Bombay, 21st March 1873.

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY, 8, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

BONNETS AND HATS.

JUST IMPORTED.

A captain of a ship having brought out a very select case of Millinery, has put it en same into the hands of Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., to sell by Public Auction on MONDAY next, the 24th inst. at 2 P.M., which will give Ladies an opportunity of buying a cheap article.

SALE OF OFFICE FURNITURE AND SAMPLE GOODS.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY the 22nd inst. at 2 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at No. 1 Church Lane, a quantity of office furniture and sample goods, consisting of dressood sample tables, blackwood writing desks, couch and easy chairs, hanging punkah, scales, sets of weights, screws, 3 drawood sample tables, 1 of drawers, bycicle, samples of assorted glass and porcelain wares, flower vases, a lot of sample cutlery and wood screws and prints, swit iron copper and brasswire, glass drops pictures, marble, slabs &c.

SALE OF SUPERIOR SECOND-CLASS MOULMEIN TEAK SQUARES.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Timber Depot of Messrs. Wallace and Co., by order of Mr. Mahomed Ally, and on account of the first purchasers, Miss Ivy Nursoo Dhunjeebhoy and Co.

80 Second-class Teak Squares, in small convenient lots to suit the requirements of purchasers.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 20th March 1873.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 4, FORBES STREET.

WEEKLY SALE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a large quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, &c.

4	Bales, 200 Pieces of Grey Chirtings, 10 lbs 50 inch.	
7	do. 350 " "	6½ to 9 lbs.
3	do. 200 " "	T. Cloth, 5 and 6 lb.
1	do. 150 " "	T. Madapollams, 3 lb.
1	do 300 lb., 40 No. Mule Twist.	
10	Cases Coloured Prints.	

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainwares, a full-toned sympathetic Grand Square Piano by "Soundy & Co.," a first-rate Mahogany full-sized Slate Billiard Table by "H. J. Bennett & Co.," a handsome English Built Open Carriage by "Thorn," a do. do. carricular fronted Office Brougham, a pair of handsome fast-trotting black Carriage Horses, a large collection of choice plants, &c., at Breach Candy.

THIS DAY, Friday, the 21st inst., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, plated cat aces, horses, &c., the property of Messrs. F. L. Latham and C. Reynolds, the same comprises, rich cut glassware, dinner, and dessert services, best plated ware, such as set of dish covers consisting 4 hotwater curry dishes, cruet, egg and pickle frames, tea set, bread basket, a mignonette case containing handsom-plated dessert knives and forks, with the hero-pearl handles, a dozen sining fish knives and forks with ivory handles, table and chamber candlesticks, cutlery, &c., richly carved blackwood furniture, such as a set of dining tables in pieces round dining tables for 6 and 10 persons, sideboards dumb waiters, dining-room chairs, a first class manufactured full-sized billiard table by J. Bennett and Co., a bronze 6 light gas Billiard lamp, circular, and card tables, English mahogany, easy and drawing-room chairs, conversation couches, handsome Brussels drawing-room carpets, wharnots, a full-toned mahogany grand-square piano by "Soundy and Co.," bronze single and plated 4 light hanging arm lamps, a handsome kingfisher bird bedstead, compactor, Coco mattresses, dressing and washing tables, toilet glasses, clothes presses, wardrobes, towel horses, clothes baskets, dressing cases, articles, cooking utensils, a large collection of china and rare plants, &c., &c.

AT 2 P.M.

A first-class English built 4 seated open carriage by "Thorn," perfect order.

A pair of handsome black carriage horses.

A handsome English built light Office brougham, &c.

Catalogues are published, and the property is now on view.

NOTICE.

The Plants belonging to F. L. LATHAM, Esq., will be sold THIS MORNING, at 6 A.M.

AUCTION SALE of Handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., on the premises of Byculla Works, G. I. P. Railway, Byculla.

ON SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 12 o'clock precisely, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his residence, at the abovementioned place, the handsome Household Furniture, &c., the property of the late W. J. Thompson, the same comprises rich cut glassware, dinner and breakfast sets, plateware such as hotwater and vegetable dishes, cruet and pickle stands, table candlesticks, toast racks, bottle stand-, &c., carved blackwood furniture, such as square dining and camp tables, sideboard, dining-room, easy, folding and rocking chairs, round and side tables, wardrobe, couches, hat stand, table argand and kerosine lamps, a four-post bedstead, reclining sofa, dressing and washing tables, dressing glasses, wardrobe, chest of drawers, towel horses, clothes baskets, Cambay carpets, pictures, table linen, wearing apparel, books, &c.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable and Handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, a cut-glass Mahogany semi-grand Piano by Broadwood and Sons, the property of Dr. A. Wright, the same comprises richly engraved vine leaf pattern glassware, handsome dinner, breakfast and dessert services, best plated ware, such as hotwater curry dishes, cruet, pickle and liqueur stands, tea set, waiter, centrepiece and handsome epergne with frosted cut dish, single, double, piano, and chamber candlesticks, table and richly open carved seaweed stands, hotwood furniture, such as set of dining table in 3 pieces, a round dito for 8 persons, sideboard, dining-room chairs, folding and partition screens, couches, pier, sofa and side tables, drawing-room chairs, conversation sofas, hand-screens, hand-screen, dressing-room cheval glass with bevelled plate, such as hotwater jugs, basins

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET steady.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	9 p.ct.	Agra Bank	83
22,000	1,000	all	6 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,400
10,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	725½
10,000	500	100	5 p.ct.	Do 2nd Res. Issue	227½
2,250	1,000	all	9 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,170
19,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. L. & China	265
40,000	281½	all	12 pct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	410 nl.
40,000	200	all	Nil.	Chartered Bk. of L. & C.	170
37,000	250	125	3 p.ct.	National Bank of India	118
16,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	450

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	21 8 0	p.a.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	232
.....	£20	19 10 0	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	126
.....	£20	13 10 0	do.	Ditto	.....
.....	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,125
.....	£18	19 5 0	do.	Do. New Shares	215

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 75	Colaba Land Co.	1,455
2,000	150	all	Nil.	Freee Land & Pier Co. Ld.	118
750	2,000	2,000	31p.a.	Mazagon Land	880
8,000	1,000	all	15p.a.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	460

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	150p.a.	Albert Mills Co.	1,750
600	1,250	all	50p.a	Alexandra Spinning	1,200
500	2,500	all	100*	Alliance Spinning	2,350
100	5,000	all	...	Bombay	2,800
900	1,000	all	20*	Bombay United	920
4,000	150	150	25*	Broach Mills	230
2,500	2,000	all	...	Dhurumsey Spinning	1,240
750	2,000	all	200p.a	Great Eastern	2,020
2,500	1,000	all	140p.a	Manockji Petit's	1,480
900	1,000	all	40 p.a	Morarjee Spinning	1,005
800	2,500	all	100p.a	Oriental	2,850
600	2,500	2,400	216p.a	Royal	2,650
60	12000	all	...	Soonderdas Spinning	1,125

* Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,350	225 p.a.	Akbar Cotton Press Co.	2,225
200	2,000	1,100	156p.a.	Albert Co. Kurrachee	780
100	5 0	all	10 p.ct.	Albert king Co	550
250	3,000	250	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co.	240
150	12,000	11,000	100 p.a.	Apollo Press Co.	6,900
200	2,000	all	200p.a.	Bombay Press Co.	1,610
200	500	all	50 p.a.	Do New	400
200	1,000	1,000	100 p.a.	Broach Cotton Co	840
100	1,500	...	...	Carwar Company	1,150
500	1,880	all	40	Colaba Press Co.	5,900
250	9,100	all	250p.a.	East India Press Co.	2,800 nl.
150	8,500	all	500	Fort Press Co.	6,600
200	2,000	1,800	75 p.a.	Framji Cowasji Press Co.	720
300	1,000	all	200 p.a.	French Press Co	725
2	6,000	6,000	225 p.a.	Hydr aulic Press Co.	2,200
250	5,000	1,462	75 p.a.	Imperial Press Co	850
200	400	350	42½ p.a.	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	632½
120	2,500	all	250 p.a.	Prince of Wales Press	2,200
200	1,000	250	...	Samoon's Press Co.	210
400	850	750	125 p.a.	Scinde Press Co.	460
100	1,000	750	...	Scind and Punjaub Cotton Press Co., Limited	1,140
225	2,000	1,000	250 p.a.	Victoria Press, Madras	1,140
150	850	all	8 p.ct.	Vic. Cot. Gin & Press Co	1,000

Per share for the half-year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

.....	2,500	1,500	105p.a.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,350
50,000	50	all	1½ p.ct.	Bombay Gas Company	55
500	500	300	15 p.a.	Landing and Shipping Co. of Kurrachee Ld.	150
2,150	200	100	7 p.c.	Malabar Company Ld.	102
1,000	50	all	1½ p.a.	Mechanics Fid'g Co.	25
2,000	500	all	40 p.a.	Preacher & Co	455
2,000	250	all	40 p.a	Viegas Patent Slip Co	60

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of Liquidation.		
.....	95	19½	...	Bank o' Chins
.....	250	2	Mar. '66	Central Bank
.....	...	...	...	East India Bank
.....	200	13	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula
.....	200	70½	May '67	Royal Bank

EXCHANGE.

On	Terms.	Rate.
London	At sight	1s. 10⅞d.
London Bank	6 months' sight	1s. 11 5/16 to 11/32d.
Do. do.	3 Do. do.	1s. 11⅛d.
Do. Credits	6 Do. do.	1s. 11⅛d.
Do. do.	3 Do. do.	1s. 11⅛d.
Do. Documents	6 Do. do.	1s. 11 17/32d.
Do. do.	3 Do. do.	1s. 11 9/32d.
Calcutta	At sight	106⅞
Do.	30 days' sight	100
Do.	60 Do. do.	99½
Madras	At sight	100
Do.	30 days' sight	99½
China	60 Do. do.	225

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs. 10-8-6 to 10-9
Carolas	290
Mexican Dollars	222
Five-France Pieces	221½
Bar Silver	107
Gold Leaf	16-12
Bar Gold 10 oz. English 100 touch	16-13-6 to 16-14
Australian Gold	16-13-6 to 16-14
Government Securities	5 per cent.
Mercantile Bills	6 "

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent	110¼ to 110½
Four & half per cent	104¼ to 104¾
Four per cent	102¼ to 102¾
Four & a half per cent. (Public Works Loan)	106
Five per cent. Debenture Loan, 1866-67	103¼
15 years' Debenture Loans	109½
10 years' do. do.	105
5 years do. do.	103
Six per cent. Municipal Loan House Rate	112
Do. Do. Market Rate	112
New French Loan 5 per cent. (2 f. 50 c.) of 1871.92	
New French Loan (fully paid-up) of 1872	94
Paris Municipal Loan (Debenture Rs. 117) per Bond	115.

SALES AND PURCHASES.

PIECE GOODS.

The Market closed in the same state without any change in prices. The demand for the interior continues very stagnant but no decline in rates is likely to take place, as the stocks of all kinds of Grey Goods are light. The following sales are reported to have been made by European firms yesterday :—

5,000	pieces	Grey Shirtings	40 in. 39 yds.	8¼ lbs. at Rs.	5 11 6
500	"	"	40 " 39 "	8¼ "	" 5 13 0
500	"	"	40 " 39 "	6 "	" 4 4 6
1,200	"	Madapols.	32 " 24 "	3½ "	" 2 8 6
450	pair	" Dhoties	44 " 10 "		" 1 14 0
450	"	"	44 " 10 "		" 1 0 0
600	"	White Mulls	40 " 20 "		" 2 12 3
400	"	"	40 " 20 "		" 3 0 0
500	"	"	40 " 20 "		" 3 4 0

COTTON.

The Market closed quiet, with a decline of Rs. 2 to 3 per candy. As the purchasers showed more disposition to buy at our quotations, a larger business has been done yesterday. The following are our closing rates :—

New Oomrawuttee (Ready)	at Rs.	212	to Rs. 213
" Akote "	at "	218	to " 219
" Broach M. G. "	at "	242	to " 243
" Hingunghaut "	at "	246	to " 248
Dholleras (Ready)	at "	209	to " 209

The undermen tioned purchases are reported to have been made by European firms yesterday :—

75	candies	New Fazipore	Ready	at "	210
100	"	"	Cutch	at "	195
25	"	"	Broach M. G.	at Rs.	242½
50	"	"	"	15 days	at " 210
75	"	"	"	10 days	at " 241
375	"	"	"	1 month	at " 140
75	"	"	"	15 days	at " 241
100	"	"	"	1 month	at " 240
200	"	"	"	Ready	at " 242 to 243
50	"	Barsee	"	at	" 200
50	"	Khandeish W.S.	"	at	" 191
100	"	"	"	at	" 188 to 191
300	"	"	"	at	" 187 to 194
200	"	"	"	at	" 190 to 195
50	"	Dholleras	"	at	" 211½
25	"	"	"	at	" 211
100	"	"	End of May	at	" 205
150	"	"	20 April	at	" 208 to 209
50	"	"	Ready	at	" 210 to 212
100	"	"	25 April	at	" 209
100	"	Veravul	Ready	at	" 184
30	"	Akote F.P.B.	"	at	" 221

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—19TH MARCH.

London	Cotton, Cases, Seeds	No ships.
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 10s. 0d. to £2 12s. 6d. p. t. nl
	Wooden Ships "	£2 10s. 0d. to £2 12s. 6d. p. t. nl
	Myrabolms & Coir bills	£1 15s. 0d. to £2 0s. 0d. nl.
	Seeds	£2 5s. 0d. nominal.
Havre	Cotton, Coffee	£2 17s. 6d. to £2 18s. 9d.
Overland Steamers—		
Venice		£3 5s.
Trieste		£3 7s. 6d.
Liverpool		£3 5s. 0d.
Havre		£3 5s. to £3 7s. 6d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£2 15s. 0d. to £2 17s. 6d.
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 2 per bale.
	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest.
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 4½ per bale nominal.
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 4 per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 22 and Calcutta Port charges.
Mauritius		Nothing doing.

ARRIVAL.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
20	Tanjore (s)	Johnson	Suez, March 8.

DEPARTURE.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
20	Oorun (s)	Nacoda	Cutch.

The steamer Oxford-hire, to Colombo, was entered out for loading yesterday.

STEAMERS LOADING IN ENGLAND FOR THE EAST via THE SUEZ CANAL.

Names.	Tons.	Destination.	To Sail.
Saltwell	2276	Bombay	Feb. 22
Bengal	1815	Calcutta	Feb. 22
Hindoo	3200	Calcutta	Feb. 26
Drummond Castle	1200	Singapore	Feb. 27
Calcutta	—	Calcutta	Feb. 27
Nelusko	—	Penang	Mar. 1
City of Cambridge	2230	Calcutta	Mar. 1
Asia	1379	Rangoon	Mar. 1
Xanthe	1809	Bombay	Mar. 5
Tchihatcheff	1545	Penang	Mar. 5
Macgregor	1325	Penang	Mar. 5
Yorkshire	2273	Calcutta	Mar. 8
Vibilia	1947	Calcutta	M r. 10
Dhoolia	—	Colombo	Mar. 12
Harrington	1150	Batavia	Mar. 13
Strathclyde	1954	Bombay	Mar. 20
Lord Elphinstone	—	Penang	Mar. 31

DAILY IMPORTS.—20TH MARCH.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Sjaellard, s, 75 barrels port, Dinshaw Sorabjee & Co.
Kingdom o' Fife, 58 cases window glass, Curimjee Tajbhoy.

FROM LONDON.

Urbino, s, 200 kegs iron nails, Noorbhoy Chandabhoy.
Pembrokeshire, 125 boxes candles, Byramjee Shapurjee; 50 cases matches, Beil Brandenburg & Co.
Oxfordshire, s, 3 cases cochineal, Kooberdas Khoosaldew.
Mary Gabrielle, 3 cases brandy, Framjee D. Wadia & Co.
Robinson Crusoe, 14 cases claret, Payne & Co.

FROM GLASGOW.

America, 26 cases wine, Cursetjee Muncherjee Sons.

DAILY EXPORTS.—20TH MARCH.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Ellen Bates, 84 bales cotton, S. Tyabjee & Co.; 200 bales cotton, H. Cleson & Co.
Hannah Law, 109 bales cotton, Bharmull Shamjee.
Royal Alexandra, 42 bales cotton, Jetha Purshotum; 35 bales cotton, Munsookram Candas.
John Adamson, s, 63 bales cotton, Hajee Aboo Taluck Behanee; 250 bales cotton, W. and A. Graham & Co.; 93 bales cotton, Lyon & Co.
Mathew Cay, s, 225 bales cotton, Cursondass Ruttonsee; 23 bales cotton, Doessabhoy Hormusjee Cama & Co.
Atalanta, s, 400 bales cotton, Gaddom & Co.; 400 bales cotton, W. Nicol & Co.; 600 bags myrabolams, Sorabjee Nowrojee; 100 bales cotton, Behrend Brothers.
Neera, s, 100 bales cotton, Greaves, Cotton & Co.; 52 bales cotton, Gopjee Khetsey, 251 bales cotton, Framjee Sands & Co.; 50 bales wool, Bhimjee Ramjee; 38 bales wool and 102 bales cotton, Jetha Persoum; 201 ales wool and 42 bales cotton, Shamjee Narronjee & Co.
Australia, s, 85 bales cotton, Wallace & Co.; 100 bales cotton, E. L. Southern and Co.; 93 bales wool, Hurjeevan Vussonjee; 25 bales wool, Vussonjee Dewchund.
Alice Otto, s, 53 bales cotton, Hurnaron Manockram; 67 bales cotton and 40 bales hemp, Finlay, Scott and Co.; 100 bales cotton, Bhugwanjee Chuturbhooj; 100 bales cotton, Moolchund Motichund; 300 bales cotton, N. Maneckjee & Co.
Violet, s, 720 bundles linseed, Ralli Brothers; 250 bales cotton, N. Maneckjee & Co.
Sjaelland, s, 500 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 500 bales cotton, Planque Vinay & Co.; 200 bales cotton, R. L. Kingsford Co.; 500 bundles myrabollams, Rahimbhoy Alladinbhoy; 430 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.

FOR LONDON.

America, s, 30 bales skins, Cheenee Momed Meera Moyodin Cader Ally & Co.; 21 cases mother o' pearl shells and 1 case tortoise shell, C. N. Gomes & Co.; 5,000 bundles coir yarn, Sarjee Naronjee & Co.; 75 lbs. tortoise shell, Surjit Durreah; 13 bales skins, Munjee Momed Meera Nama & Co.; 200 cwts. horns, Hassum Noor Momed.
Hydaspes, s, 4 cases shawls, Sir Charles Forbes & Co.

FOR HAVRE.

Australia s, 50 bales cotton, Kunkler Preiswerck & Co.

FOR SUEZ.

Hydaspes, s, 2 packages silk, Hajee Zanai Abadin.

FOR TRIESTE.

Aretusa, s, 20 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers; 100 bales cotton, W. Nicol & Co.; 150 bales cotton, Young & Co.

FOR ODESSA.

Aristocrat, s, 225 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—MARCH 19.

Hartshorne, Captain, Bengal General List, Infantry, on furlough, from Cawnpore.
Smith, Major, 28th B. N. I., on sick leave, from Peshawur.
Smith, Major, 8th B. N. I., on leave, from Fyzabad.
Shortt, Lieutenant-Colonel, Political Department, on leave, from Baroda.
Pain, Surgeon Major, 11th Hussars, on sick leave, from Umballa.

DEPARTURES.—MARCH 15.

Hand, Major, 44th Regiment, on duty, to Kamptee.

MARCH 16.

M. W. Mercer, Lieutenant-Colonel, Royal (Bengal) Artillery, to Allahabad.

MARCH 19.

Cruikshank, Captain, Royal Engineers, on leave, to Kirkee.

MARCH 20.

Norton, Lieutenant-Colonel, 22nd M. N. I., on furlough, to Hoshungabad.
Grant, Captain, 24th N. I., on medical certificate, to Matheran.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, March 20.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Capt C Case, Ben S C, Sub-Asst Commy Genl, is allowed to proceed to Europe, on medical certificate, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Government of his own presidency.

Surg F S Sillifant, of the Ben Medl Estabt, is allowed to proceed to Europe, on medical certificate, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Government of his own Presidency.

Hon Ensign P Keay, Head Master, Thomason College, Roorkee, is allowed to proceed to Europe, on medical certificate, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Government of his own Presidency.

General Order No 836, of 18th Dec last, is cancelled.

Surg F H Smith, MD, Bom Medl Estabt, is allowed a furlough to Europe for two years, from date of departure in the current month.

Under the authority of H M's Government, notified in G G O No 573, dated 14th Aug 1872, para 3, the undermentioned officers are removed to the Pension List, from the 31st March instant :—

Lt-Col and Bt Col W B Gray, S C, on a pension of £456 5s. per annum.

Lt-Col and Bt Col H R C Moyle, Infy, on a pension of £365 per annum.

Col W Montriou, Bombay Infantry, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years.

Capt M W Stevens, General List, Adjt 3rd Light Cavalry, is allowed furlough (medical certificate) to Europe for eighteen months.

Capt W Hamilton, Ben S C, Asst Commar, Oudh, is allowed to proceed to Europe on medical certificate, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Government of his own Presidency.

Lt-Col and Bt Col H R C Moyle, Infy, on a pension of £365 per annum.

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The following promotions are made in the Ordnance Department :—

Sub-Condr James Hamilton to be Ag Condr, and Magazine Sergeant William Wilson to be Ag Sub-Condr, from the 26th Feb 1873, vice Reilly, proceeded to Europe on medical certificate.

Sub-Condr Jeremiah Kelly to be Ag Condr, and Magazine Sergeant George Saunders to be Ag Sub-Condr, from the 26th Feb 1873, vice Penstone, proceeded to Europe on medical certificate.

The following letter from the Government of India, in the Military Department, is published for information :—

"No. 1467.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA—MILITARY DEPARTMENT,
Fort William, the 22nd February 1873.

To the Chief Commissioner, Oudh.

SIR,—In reply to your letter No 657, dated 8th Feb 1873, submitting the question whether, with reference to the General No. 630, dated 9th June 1869, No. 613, dated 7th July 1871 Orders quoted in the margin, a military officer in civil employ may take three months' short furlough in or out of India without taking the period of three years required to qualify for regular furlough, I am directed to state that the 2nd clause of General Order No. 630 of 1869 is not affected by General Order No. 613 of 1871.

2. A military officer in civil employ who has taken either leave under the latter General Order, or short furlough out of India, both being for periods not exceeding three months,—reckons the three years' interval which must intervene between longer furloughs from the date of return from the last furlough exceeding three months; but the periods of such short leave or furlough cannot be counted as portions of that period of three years.—I am, &c.,

(Signed) H. K. BURNE, Colonel,
Secretary to the Government of India."

Consequent on the return from furlough of Lt-Col Clarke, first class Comy of Ordnance, on the 28th ult, Maj Wake, R A, ag first class Comy of Ordnance, will revert to ag second class Comy, vice Capt Spring, on furlough; and Lt J hnson, ag second class Comy of Ordnance, will revert to his substantive appointment of third class Comy, with effect from the above date.

Lt-Col Clarke will take charge of the Poona Arsenal.

Lt-Col A A Bayly, R A, first class Comy of Ordnance, is allowed a furlough to Europe for two years, under Rule IX. of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Capt W F F Waller, V C, assumed charge of the duties of Asst Political Agent, Kolapore, in subordinate charge of the Southern Maratha Country Jagheers, on the 12th inst, before office hours.

With reference to the Notification in this Department, dated the 25th Feb 1873, it is hereby notified that Capt Solmon's appointment to officiate as Second in Command Sawunt Waree Local Corps is cancelled, and he is permitted to proceed to rejoin his substantive appointment at Kattywar.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr J Nugent, Acting Under-Secretary to Government in the Judicial, Political, and Educational Departments, and Acting Secretary to the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations, is allowed privilege leave of absence for six weeks, from the 27th inst, or such date thereafter as he may avail himself of the leave.

Capt G H F Codrington was allowed subsidiary leave from 10th to 17th July 1872, to enable him to join his appointment as Acting District Superintendent of Police, Tanna.

Mr W Sandwith, Judge and Session Judge of Dharwar, is allowed leave of absence, on medical certificate, for one year, to proceed to Europe, under Sections 8 (a) and 9 (a) Chapter III Civil Leave Code.

Mr Sandwith is also allowed subsidiary leave for 30 days.

Mr N M W Daniell to act as Judge and Session Judge of Dharwar, during Mr Sandwith's absence on leave, or until further orders.

Mr Hasan Ali to act as Public Prosecutor for the Session Division of Kurrachee, from 1st April 1873.

Mr Dyaram Khemchund to be Public Prosecutor for the Sessions Division of Hyderabad, including the District of Thurr and Parker, from the 1st April 1873.

Mr Chuharmal Khandanmal Punjabi to be Public Prosecutor for the Session Division of Shikarpore, including the Upper Sind Frontier, from the 1st April 1873.

Rao Saheb Raojee Govind to be second class, first grade, Subordinate Judge at Barsee, in the Poona District, vice Rao Saheb Raghvendrao Ramajee, deceased.

Rao Saheb Ramchandra Jamardan to be second class, second grade, Subordinate Judge, at Khed, in the Poona District, vice Rao Saheb Raojee Govind.

Dr. Shavaksha Sorabjee to be second class, Third garde, Subordinate Judge at Bhewndy, in the Tanna District, vice Rao Saheb Ramchundra Jenardan.

The Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased, under Act X. of 1872, to invest Mr. G. W. Anderson, Mag of the first class in the district of Broach, with power to make over cases taken up on complaint, &c., to a Subordinate Magistrate (section 44).

The Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased, under Act X. of 1872, to invest Mr. G. H. Johns, Mag of the first class in the District of Kulladghee, with power to make over cases taken up on complaint, &c., to a Subordinate Mag (section 44).

Mr. W Allen, Supy Asst Collr in the District of Kulladghee, is appointed to be a Mag of the first class, under section 37 of Act X. of 1872, and is invested with the following powers in addition to the powers given and referred to in sections 22, 24, and 26 of that Act :—

Power to entertain cases without complaint (section 142).

Power to issue process for person within jurisdiction who has committed an offence outside Magistrate's local jurisdiction (section 157).

Power to sell suspicious or stolen property (section 417).

Power to make orders, &c., in local nuisance cases (section 521).

Mr. R. Giles, Depy Collr of Shikarpore and Sukkur, acted as District Supt of Police, Shikarpore, in addition to his own duties, from 23rd Dec 1872 to 5th Feb 1873, both days inclusive.

Munshi Khanchand Jagatria Schata, Head Munshi of Kotri Talooka, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Mag of the second class in the Kurrachee District.

Munshi Gopalsing Santdus Mansukhani, Head Munshi of Jati Talooka, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Mag of the second class in the Kurrachee District.

Vithal Wamon Tilak, late a karkoon on the establishment of the Subordinate Judge at Rajapore in the Ratnagherry District, having been convicted of criminal breach of trust as a public servant, is declared ineligible for re-employment in any department of the public service.

Dessai Himutsingjee Jorawursingjee of Patroe, in the District of Ahmedabad, is appointed to be a Mag of the second class, under section 37 of Act X. of 1872, and is invested with power to receive police reports in cases in which he has jurisdiction to try (section 141).

Azum Kassinath Govind, Awal Karkum of Swada, in the District of Khandeish, is appointed to be a Mag of the third class, under section 37 of Act X. of 1872, and is invested with the following powers :—

Power to hold inquests (section 135).

Power to entertain complaints of offences in cases in which he has jurisdiction to try (section 141).

Power to issue order to prevent obstruction, &c. (section 518).

Power to issue order prohibiting repetition of nuisance (section 519).

Mr. Shesbgiri Vitlul has been appointed to be Government Pleader in the Canara District, from 1st January 1873.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. E. P. Robertson, Colr and Mag of the District of Dharwar, is allowed privilege leave for three months, from the 10th April next.

The privilege leave of absence for three months granted to Mr. W F Sinclair, Acting Second Assistant Collector, Khandeish, under Government Notification of 28th ultimo, is cancelled at his own desire.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Sub-Asst Surg Shantaram Venayek is appointed to the Godra Dispensary, vice Sub-Asst Surg Sruplal Balakram, deceased.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned officers have been allowed by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India extensions of leave for the periods specified :—

Covenanted.

Mr E McCullum, C S, for six months, on sick certificate.

Uncovenanted.

Mr F J Oliphant, Asst to Accountant General, Bombay, for four months, on sick certificate.

Mr C R Ovans, C S, has been permitted by the Secretary of State to return to duty by the mail of the 21st February, instead of the mail of the 14th idem.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr F J Candy, M A, Professor of Mathematics in the Elphinstone College, has been granted leave of absence for twenty months on medical certificate, with effect from the 18th instant.

Mr Govind Vithal Karkare, B A, is appointed to act as Professor of Mathematics in the Elphinstone College, during the absence on leave of Professor Candy, or until further orders.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Reverend C Kirk, M.A., Junior Chaplain, is allowed furlough to Europe for twelve months, on medical certificate, from date of departure, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

The Reverend J H T Blunt, M.A., Junior Chaplain, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

The Rev W Maule, LL B., Chaplain of Colaba, has been granted privilege leave for three months from the 11th instant.

The Rev Charles Kirk, M.A., and the Reverend Charles Thomas Wilson, M A., respectively delivered over and received charge of the Office of Chaplain at Aden, on the 28th February 1873, after office hours.

POSTAL NOTICES.

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date.	Mail closes.	After-packet.
United Kingdom	Mar. 24	5-30 P.M.	6-30 P.M.
Kurrachee	" 21	11 A.M.	12 A.M.
Persian Gulf via Kurrachee	" 28	11 A.M.	12 A.M.
China	" 25	4-30 P.M.	No after packet.
Australia	April 5	4-30 P.M.	
Mauritius, Reunion, &c	" 14	5-30 P.M.	6-30 P.M.
Zanzibar, &c.	" 14	5-30 P.M.	6-30 P.M.

OVERLAND MAIL.

The Overland Mail Steamers of the P. and O. S. N. Company leave Bombay every Monday at 7 P.M. during the fair Season, and on Fridays, at 5-30 P.M., commencing with the mail of the 24th May, during the monsoon.

Letters will be received at the General Post Office up to 5-30 P.M.

Newspapers, Books, and Patterns, up to 3 P.M.

Registered Letters up to 2 P.M. Letters presented for registration after that hour will be received up to 4 P.M. on payment of an additional fee of 2 annas on each letter. The additional fee to be paid in stamps affixed to such letters.

Late letters, if fully prepaid by means of stamps in respect both of postage and of late letter fee (4 annas each), will be received at the Pier Post Office from 5-30 to 6-30 P.M.

The latest hour for posting Overland covers at the several Branch Post Offices will be 1-30 P.M.

Fully prepaid letters will be received on board the Overland Mail Steamer after 5 P.M. up to starting time (7 P.M.) by the payment of an additional fee of Eight Annas. All others will be refused.

POSTAGE BY THE BRINDISI ROUTE.

The Postage rates chargeable on Correspondence forwarded "via Brindisi," to the United Kingdom, or places served through the United Kingdom, are as follows :—

For the United Kingdom.

Each Letter per ½ ounce—annas 8.

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The subjoined Table shows the dates of departure of Overland Mail Steamers from Bombay during the first half of 1873 :—

	At P.M.		At 7 P.M.
Monday	Mar. 24	Monday	May 12
"	" 31	"	" 19
"	Apr. 7	"	" 26
"	" 14		At 5½ P.M.
"	" 21	Friday	May 30
"	" 28	"	June 6
"	May 5	"	" 13

CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The subjoined Table shows the dates of departure of the China and Australian Mail Steamers from Bombay during the first half of 1873 :—

CHINA MAILS LEAVE BOMBAY ON

At 4-30 P.M.		At 4-30 P.M.
Tuesday	Mar. 25	Monday	May 19
"	Apr. 8	"	June 2
"	" 22	"	" 16
"	" 5	"	" 30

AUSTRALIAN MAILS LEAVE BOMBAY ON

At 4-30 P.M.		At 4-30 P.M.
Saturday	Apr. 5	Saturday	May 18
"	May 3	"	June 33

Registered letters will be received until 1 P.M. on the respective days. The Postage for a ½ oz. letter to the Australian Colonies is 5 as. 3 pice.

DESPATCH OF INLAND MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

REVISED TABLE of the hours for closing the Inland Mails, which came into force from the 1st October, and will continue so until further notice :—

MAILS.	At General Post Office. Ordinary Letters, &c.	At General Post Office. After-Packet.	At Branch Offices.
For Bengal, N. W. Provinces, Punjab, Central Provinces, Malwa, Berar, and for the following Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway—Wassind, Kussara, Egutpoora, Nassick, Munmar, Nandgaum, Chalisgaum; and these from Bhosawul to Jubbulpore and Bhosawul to Nagpore	8 A.M.	9-30 A.M.	7-30 A.M.
For all Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, as far as Bhosawul	4 A.M.	5 A.M.	5 P.M. of previous day.
For all Post Towns on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. R. for Poona, Deccan, S. M. Country, and Madras Presidency; also for Ahmednuggur and Seroor	8-30 A.M.	10 A.M.	7-30 A.M.
For ditto on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, as far as Poona	12 NOON.	1-30 P.M.	11-30 A.M.
For ditto on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for Guzerat, Kurrachee, Sind, Kattiawar, and Kutch	4 A.M.	6 A.M.	5 P.M. of previous days.
For ditto in Southern Concan, viz., for Penn, Nagotna, Mhar, Khed, Dapoolee, and Ratnagherry	6 A.M.	.....	5 P.M. of previous day.

Registered letters and bankly parcels for despatch by all mails will be received, except on Sundays, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

LETTERS.—There are six deliveries in Bombay every day; at 8 A.M., 10 A.M., 11-30 A.M., 12-30 P.M., 2 P.M., and 5 P.M. The inland post goes out at 8-30 A.M., for Khandeish, Malwa, Berar, Central Provinces, Punjab, N. W. Provinces, and Bengal, and all post towns on the north-east line of the G. I. P. Railway; for Poona, Southern Maratha Country, and Madras Presidency at 8-30 A.M.; and for Scinde, Kattywar, and Cutch at 4 P.M.; for the South Eastern line as far as Poona, 12 Noon. The Overland Mail for England is despatched every Monday evening at 7 o'clock, and closes at 5-30 o'clock. Late packets are received, on payment of extra postage, up till 7 o'clock at Apollo Bunder. Postage on inland letters not exceeding ½ tolah ½ anna, 1 tolah 1 anna, 1½ tolah 2 annas, 2 tolahs 2 annas; on foreign letters not exceeding ½ ounce via Brindisi 8 annas, 1 ounce Re. 1; via Southampton not exceeding ½ ounce 6 annas, 1 ounce 12 annas.

MAILS TO MAURITIUS.

The subjoined time table, shows the dates of departure of mails for Mauritius and Reunion for the first half of 1873 :—

REGULAR MAILS.		SUPPLEMENTARY MAILS.	
Monday	Apr. 14	Monday	Mar. 24
"	May 12	"	Apr. 21
"	June 6	"	May 19
		"	June 13

MAILS FOR ZANZIBAR.

The following table of the steam packet service between Aden and Zanzibar, and *vice versa*, is published for general information. The service will be a monthly one in connection with mail steamers from England :—

| Leave Bombay. | Arrive Aden. | Leave Aden. | Arrive

NEWS-LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BARODA, 18TH MARCH.

COLONEL PHAYRE has just arrived. He was met at the railway station by Nana Khunvilkar, Prime Minister of Baroda. Shortly after a salute announced to "camp" and city inhabitants the long expected British representative's arrival.

Everybody complains of increasing heat, and punkah coolies find abundant employment.

LIQUOR LICENCES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In your editorial of this morning you have hit the right nail on the head when you say that the present system of giving liquor licences is only an indirect means of providing pensions for servants of influential persons at the expense of the State. The continuance of this system cannot be too strongly depreciated, as, besides being open to other obvious objections, it checks all honest competition in trade. These licences should undoubtedly be put up annually or bi-annually to public auction. But if it be impossible to get our sapient rulers to accede to this proposition, the public have, I submit, a right to insist that the Commissioner shall not have the power of giving a licence for an indefinite period. At present he who may happen to be lucky enough to get a "recommendation" to secure a licence with, is a happy man indeed—for, once secured in a licence, he is provided for life. Some, who have sufficient influence, have been able to secure even more than one licence a-piece, and they make a good thing of it, you can readily imagine, from the fact that these licences are, like many contracts in the Commissariat Department, sub-let. Of course it may be answered that there is a rule prohibiting this, but it is not difficult to get over this, there being more ways of killing a cat than hanging it. You would really render a service to the public, as well as to the State, by ventilating this subject until the desired change is secured.

19th March. PUBLICOLA.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL OF THE 28TH FEBRUARY.

ABOUT three o'clock yesterday afternoon, the P. & O. Co.' ss.s. Tanjore, Captain A. H. Johnson, anchored in harbour with the English mail of the 28th ultimo on board. The Tanjore sailed from Suez on the 8th instant, arrived at Aden on the 13th, and resumed her voyage on the same day. She brought the following passengers :—

FROM VENICE.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, infant, and ayah.	Mr. and Mrs. Niven and infant.
Lieut. Col. Medley.	Dr. and Mrs. Partridge.
Lieut. F. Borrow.	Mr. T. D. Landon.
	Lieut. Col. Perkins.

FROM BRINDISI.

Rev. and Mrs. Simpson.	Mr. H. L. Jones.
Mr. C. F. Burrett.	Mr. John Jones.
Rev. D. Macpherson.	Lieutenant R. C. Dickson.
Mr. B. Francis.	Mr. A. R. Warwick.

FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, 2 infants and child.	Major C. Minchin.
Mr. and Mrs. Hillier.	Mr. R. Scobie.
Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Grehan, child, and European female servant.	Lieut. Col. Black, Mrs. Black, and child, and European female servant.
Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Dale, infant, and ayah.	Miss A. Cass.
Mr. G. V. Meredith.	Mrs. C. Rowcth, infant, and European female servant.
Mrs. Phillips and infant.	Captain G. Graham.
Mr. T. O. Cox.	Dr. Cook's native male servant.
Mr. J. B. Cowmeadow.	Mr. Niven's ayah.
Miss E. Crowe Howard.	Mr. R. Cook's.
Miss E. Farrer.	Mr. J. Appleyard.
Mrs. Douglas' ayah.	Mr. C. Hamilton.

FROM SUEZ.

Dr. Rozario, wife, infant, 3 children, 2 native male and 4 native female servants.

FLOM ADEN.

Mr. Bull	4 Natives, Deck
Mr. Beagin.	

POLITICAL LETTER.

[SPECIAL FOR THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."]

LONDON, 28TH FEBRUARY.

WHEN I wrote to you last Friday, pointing out the impossibility of reconciling "the line of the Oxus" with the definition given of Badakshan and its dependencies by Colonel Yule, the Duke of Argyll's referee, I was far from expecting that the same evening Mr. Grant Duff would succeed in getting the Ministry into a greater mess than ever by repudiating the authority of Colonel Yule. It seemed impossible that the same geographer should be appealed to as infallible by the Secretary for India in the House of Lords, and thrown over as of no account by the Under-Secretary for India in the House of Commons. Yet, though Colonel Yule had distinctly affirmed that the Panja, in running northwards, "traverses the valley states of Shignan and Roshan, acknowledging the supremacy of Badakshan, and then the independent principality of Darwaz," and had in addition spoken of Ishkashm, in which are the once famous ruby mines, as a feudatory province of Badakshan, Mr. Grant Duff informed the House of Commons, in an off-hand way, that all the territory on the right bank of the Panja belonged to independent chiefs. Not satisfied with thus bluntly contradicting Colonel Yule, and indirectly, therefore, his own chief at the India Office, Mr. Grant Duff had the inconceivable bad taste to sneer at the wishes of Shere Ali about the Afghan frontier as of no consequence, and to say, in fact, to the Ameer of Cabul what the *Times* so foolishly said to the Canadians—"We have done the best we can for you, and it does not matter to us whether it pleases you or not." It is not so much the brutality as the impolicy of remarks of this kind made to allies whose interests are identical with those of the Empire, that every right thinking man must deplore. Mr. Grant Duff's was, in fact, as cleverly contrived as most of his answers are to stimulate the popoular irritation at the conduct of the Government to which he belongs; and, though Mr. Gladstone tried on a subsequent evening to turn away wrath by putting a new gloss on the Under-Secretary's words, the Government has really owed its release from a most embarrassing position to the good-natured intervention of Sir Henry Rawlinson. On Monday evening Sir Henry, as president of the Royal Geographical Society, gave an address, in the fine lecture hall of the new University buildings, which, in spite of the heavy snow-storm, attracted a large audience of members of the Society and visitors. I noticed among those present the Duke of Cambridge, the inevitable Lord Houghton, Lord Lawrence, Mr. R. B. Shaw, and many men of Indian celebrity. Sir Henry came to the rescue of the Ministry at once by saying it was true Shignan, Roshan, and Ishkashm were dependencies of Badakshan, but on the other hand some part of the territory of the independent chief of Darwaz, lying on the left bank of the Panja, has been assigned to Shere Ali, who therefore gets about as much as he loses, for the ruby mines are worthless now. Sir Henry did not say what compensation the Chief of Darwaz is to get on his part, or whether he is satisfied with the bargain; but I suppose he is not a personage of much importance. The main point for us is to be sure that Shere Ali will be content with the frontier fixed to his dominions; and there can now be no doubt that he will be, for according to Sir Henry Rawlinson, the map defining the limits of Afghanistan was originally prepared by the Government of India "in consultation with the Government of Cabul." This first map, too, strange to say, was by no means so favourable to Shere Ali as the one now accepted by Russia. The Wakhan boundary on it did not run to Wood's Lake on the Pamir Steppe, but in a south-easterly direction to the Hindoo Koosh, and it was Sir Henry Rawlinson who suggested the modifications of which the result is to make Wood's Oxus, from its source to the confluence of the Kokeh, the frontier of Wakhan and Badakshan. Nor can there now be any reasonable doubt that, so far as regards this part of the country, that is for a distance, as the crow of flies, of about three hundred miles from the Pamir Steppe westwards, the Government has secured a good enough boundary. The actual frontier of Russia may be said to be the Karatan Range, which divides the waters of the Zarafshan (or river of Samarcand) from the tributaries of the Oxus; but Sir H. Rawlinson was very happy in showing that the rugged country between this range and the north bank of the Oxus is inhabited by wild, unconquered tribes, whom neither the Bactrian Kings, nor the Sassanian, nor the Caliphs, nor Timour and his descendants could tame, and that it is to the last degree improbable that Russia will attempt to advance through this country in order to cross the Oxus between Koondooz and the Pamir Steppe, in which distance the ground rises from 900 to 15,000 feet above the level of the sea. Lord Lawrence was equally emphatic in declaring that the Russians would never be guilty of the "insanity" of attempting to advance on India in this direction; but one would be inclined to attach more weight to his Lordship's opinion if it were not notorious that five or six years ago Lord Lawrence's Government was quite convinced the Russians could never reach the Oxus at all. "Nothing can be more absurd," wrote Mr. Wyllie, Lord Lawrence's literary secretary, in January 1867, when the Russians were already masters of Tashkend, "than to suggest that Russia will ever take possession of Samarcand," and the next year Samarcand was a Russian city. It certainly is ridiculous to suppose that Russia will ever find it worth her while now to advance through Karatigin and Badakshan to the Hindoo Koosh. We have given up to her many easier approaches to India, and she has sense enough to be able to make use of them. For instance, from Koondooz down to the Sea of Aral, a distance of 1,000 miles, the Oxus flows through a plain country, and is navigable for large boats. At Khoja Saleh, the extreme frontier post of Afghanistan, the river is 823 yards wide and 19 feet deep. Well, from Khoja Saleh to the outfall of the river, we have abandoned both banks to the Russians, who, by the conquest of Khiva, will gain an undisputed water-way through Turkistan, in addition to the good roads from Samarcand round the western shoulder of the Karatan to the posts on the river opposite Andkin and Balkh. Then, again, from Khiva and their new posts on the Caspian, they can reduce the Turkomans to subjection and threaten Merve, Meshed, and Herat. Why, therefore, should they undertake the difficult enterprise of advancing on the upper Oxus. Although the *Spectator* announced lately, in its oracular way, that, "as nearly as it could calculate," the Russians at Samarcand were "four months' march from Cabul," caravans from Samarcand only take 12 days to reach the Oxus at Termez, which is just opposite Balkh, and may now become a Russian fortified post, and it is on record that Alexander only took ten days to march from Balkh across the Hindoo Koosh to Cabul, in an age in which the physical obstacles were not less, nor the facilities for moving an army greater, than in our day. Sir H. Rawlinson might well say, then, that what the Russians might do over against Badakshan was of infinitely less consequence than their movements in Western Turkistan and on the borders of Persia. All this part of his lecture conveyed a strong censure of the Ministerial policy. The more insignificant the gain we have made by standing out for the frontier of Badakshan, the more uncalled for are the shouts of victory of the Ministerial press at Lord Granville's triumph over Prince Gortschakoff. I have said from the first that Lord Granville only got what he asked from Russia because he asked for so very little; and Sir H. Rawlinson fully confirmed this opinion by speaking of the infinitely greater importance of Russian aggressions between Ankhni and the Caspian, in a territory with which Lord Granville refused to have anything to do. Sir Henry clearly showed, indeed, that the Ministerial notion of settling all disputes with Russia for ever by fixing the frontier of Afghanistan was, to use his favourite phrase, "all moonshine," and that, instead of being able to go to sleep comfortably after having done a little to check the Russian advance, we have still the most difficult part of our work to do.

There was one remarkable omission in Sir Henry's address. He said nothing directly of Kashgar. This is of less consequence, as from the attention paid by the Viceroy to the Kashgar Envoy, and the appointment of Mr. R. B. Shaw as Commissioner in Ladakh, your Government evidently appreciates the political and commercial importance of more extended intercourse with Eastern Turkistan. But it is worthy of note, that indirectly Sir H. Rawlinson proved Yarkand to be of as much value to us as Herat. He supported the modern theory that the great highway of trade from Western Asia to China is from Balkh, up the valley of the Oxus (that is through Badakshan and Wakhan), and across the Pamir Steppe to Yarkand; and he also insisted that the road from India up the Jellalabad river to the Chitral Pass and so into the Wakhan Valley and on to Yarkand is the best entrance to India. "If," he said, "there be a gate to India, it is the Chitral Pass." The pass can be traversed by an army, for the ascent and descent have a slope so gentle as to be almost imperceptible; and military considerations apart, it is manifest that the two main routes of trade from India and Afghanistan converge at the head waters of the Oxus, and debouch at Yarkand. If, therefore, we wish to keep these routes open and free of duty, we must establish our influence at Yarkand. Sir H. Rawlinson did not draw this inference, but it follows from his own arguments. I am greatly afraid that Sir Henry is too much occupied with Persia and does not pay sufficient attention to the new lines of approach the Russians are bent on opening to the eastward of Afghanistan. I was surprised at the trouble he took to make the most of the discovery of Klaproth's geographical forgeries, by which, he alleges, the Russians have been deceived. As an English critic remarks—"If it were true that the Russians supposed Wakhan lay north and south instead of east and west, that is surely a barren geographical victory for England, which gives them liberty of aggression 100 miles farther south than they themselves had calculated upon." But the attack on General Kaufmann's accuracy is both paltry and unfair. Read the official despatches with Yule's Map of the Oxus basin to refer to, and you will see that the Russian general's descriptions of Badakshan and Wakhan coincide in every detail with the positions on Yule's Map. General Kaufmann says—"By the acquisition of these two territories Shere Ali would prolong his line of contact with Bokhara, and would find himself side by side with Karatigin, whence Khokand is within easy reach. Finally, his north-eastern boundary would touch the possessions of Yakoob Beg. Here is a road which would lead him straight into collision with Russia." Again he says—"Wakhan to the north borders on the Pamir Steppe, which separates it from Karatigin; to the east it marches with Sarikol, which belongs to the States under Yakoob Beg; to the south it is separated from Chitral by the Hindoo Koosh. The Russians, therefore, know the situation of Wakhan as well as we do; they have also discerned before us that the real importance of the valley is due to its position on the trade route to Yarkand, and to the practicability of the roads over that of Pamir Steppe which was till lately supposed to be a chain of almost impassable mountains. They have shown that they know as much of geography as Sir H. Rawlinson by being beforehand with us in concluding a commercial treaty with Yakoob Beg, and it will be well for us if we are not now too late in trying to follow in their footsteps. I have said so much about this address at the Geographical Society that I cannot comment at length on the amazing inconsistency of Sir H. Rawlinson in ridiculing the idea that the Russians can become formidable in Central Asia, after he had been at such pains to show how important it was not to let them get a footing in Turkistan. Briefly, as to the money argument, Russia can get any money she wants to carry out her designs from British capitalists; and, as to the "fanaticism" of the nomads, no reader of Vambery's travels requires to be told how lightly the yoke of Islam sits on the tribes of the steppes and the desert, or how readily they would follow now, as they have followed in all ages, any leader, Christian, Mahomedan, or Pagan, who would offer them the plunder of the fertile regions of Southern Asia as the prize of their allegiance.

By to-day's mail you will get a copy of the new number of *Macmillan's Magazine*, with General Adye's lecture in it that was read at Marlborough House. The lecture is a mere thing of shreds and patches badly put together. General Adye's principal idea seems to have been to air his own crotchets about the reorganisation of the Indian army. The patronage of the Prince of Wales and the *Times* have, however, sufficed to make Macmillan pay him a large sum of money for the exclusive privilege of publishing this paper. It was quite by accident, I hear, that the lecture was given at Marlborough House. General Adye had written his lecture, intending to read it at the United Service Institution, and his friend the Duke of Cambridge promised to preside on the occasion. After getting this promise the General wrote to the Committee fixing his day, and thus found Captain Trench, who has written one of the best books out upon Central Asia, had been beforehand with him. What was to be done? a Royal Duke could not be disappointed. The General went to His Royal Highness, who mentioned the matter to the Prince of Wales, and the Prince, who is all good nature, said—"Oh! I should like to know something about Central Asia. Let him come to my house"—and, nothing loth, the General went accordingly. This incident however, amongst others, shows that the Heir to the Crown is beginning to take an active interest in public affairs. He does not, of course, meddle with politics, but you will notice that he has had his name put down as one of the Select Committee of the House of Lords on Horses, and last night he and the Duke of Edinburgh were present during the debate on the proposed disfigurement of the Thames at Hampton Court, and would, it is understood, have voted with Lord Salisbury if the Ministry, anxious apparently to make itself if possible a little more unpopular than it is at present, had not taken up the Chelsea Water Works Bill as if it were a Ministerial measure. In domestic politics there has been nothing else of interest to engage public attention this week. People think and talk of nothing but the coal faming, and very few electors even read the Parliamentary debates.

In France the struggle of parties has been renewed. The fusion of the two branches of the Bourbons, believed a fortnight ago to be on the point of completion, has been rendered impossible for ever by the publication of a letter from the Comte de Chambord, in which that impracticable honest man simply declares he will have no compromise whatever with the Orleans Princes. This break-up is all the better for M. Thiers, for the Right Centre, or Orleanist, will now combine with the Moderate Republicans to support the nondescript Government of the provisional President. These so-called Republicans, sailing under false colours, will have to encounter the attacks, not merely of the Legitimists and the real Republicans, but of the Bonapartists, who have had the courage to demand from the tribune of the Assembly a plebiscite to determine if the Empire shall be restored. The chances of victory in the strife will depend to some extent on the issue of the conflict in Spain, where the Carlists seem to have better hopes now than for the last forty years. If the priests get the upper-hand in distracted Spain, Pius IX. may yet see in France also the conflagration he and his emissaries have been diligently labouring to excite throughout Europe.

A paragraph from the *Athenæum* is going the round of the papers this week about the wholesale destruction of historical records by the India Office. Dr. Birdwood tells me, with reference to this paragraph, that he feels sure the originals of these records, as far as those from Bombay are concerned, "including, mark, the history of the Indian Navy," are still all right in Bombay. When the order for the destruction of old records reached Bombay in 1860 or 1861, the Doctor, then Secretary to the Asiatic Society, got hold for the Society's Library of all he could lay his hands upon, including rare invoices of every Company's ship that left Bombay in the course of the old trade. Dr. Birdwood left them all in a great heap in the room below the library, which he was in negotiation to get annexed expressly for keeping such records in. I commend the search for them to Mr. James Taylor and Captain Morland. *Hari Pandurang* will be out next week. Dr. Birdwood has had nothing to do with it beyond looking after the publication in Sir B. Frere's absence, but I am glad to hear the Doctor is likely to bring out, under the patronage of the Secretary for India, a series of reprints of valuable books about British India. J. M. M.

WEEKLY COMMERCIAL LETTER.

(SPECIAL FOR THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE.")

LONDON, 28TH FEBRUARY.

AMONG the annual reports recently issued is that of the Indo-European Telegraph Company for 1872. It is even worse in some respects than those preceding, none of which could have been termed favourable. The receipts for the entire twelve months were £37,079-7-7 (which, however, includes a sum of £12,000 claimed by the Post Office and disputed by the Company) as compared with £48,949-3-1, showing a falling off of £11,869-15 6. The expenditure on commercial account amounted to £13,788-14-8, as against £14,600-12-1 for 1871, but the contractors' account for maintenance was £22,971-18-7, so that even if all the £12,000 in dispute accrue to the company, of which there is no chance, the balance to credit would just be £318-14-4. Practically, however, there is nothing whatever to the good, for the line is already in debt to Messrs. Siemens for the cost of maintenance, these gentlemen having in 1870 undertaken to be responsible for any deficit that might arise. Whatever accidental surplus there may be consequently goes to recoup them for their advances. The report ascribes the falling off in the receipts to the interruptions sustained over the entire line between London and Kurrachee, and to the reduction of tariff which came into force in July last. The interruptions were mainly on the section of the line between Teheran and Kurrachee, and are ascribed to the disturbed state of Persia arising from the famine and the disorders occasioned by it. Serious difficulty in executing repairs was thus created. The country is now said to be improving, and as iron are being substituted for wooden poles it is hoped that this section will soon be as trustworthy as the others. The report also refers to that vexed point "packing" messages, and states that the directors, in order to neutralise the practice, have formally proposed to the Indian Government that a word tariff beginning with ten words, at half the present rate for twenty words, should be introduced as speedily as possible; any number of words above ten to be charged at 4*d.* per word. This measure, they think, would encourage business from all sources, and they propose to extend it to Batavia, Australia, China, and the Straits Settlements. The report concludes by stating that Messrs. Siemens desire to terminate their present agreement for maintenance, and that the directors are endeavouring to make a new arrangement. Messrs. Siemens' special report is subjoined to that of the directors; it dwells on the heavy loss they have incurred since 1870 for maintenance, but points out that since the staff was increased the percentage of interruptions has decreased, while when the line is clear its efficiency in passing messages promptly and correctly cannot be surpassed. It is plain, however, on their own showing, that the line can never be efficient in the sense of being always working at a profit. As if snows in Southern Russia and in Mingrelia were not enough, last year brought all the Persian disasters, a total breakdown of the Norderney cable—the one purchased from Reuter for £720,000—and in addition a storm of unprecedented violence which threw down nearly all the lines of Northern Germany, and stopped their working for a week. How in the face of these drawbacks Messrs. Siemens can maintain, as they do, that the large mercantile London firms and the telegraph agencies give the Indo-European the principal portion of their business I cannot quite understand, unless we are to suppose that during the many weeks the line was interrupted these individuals did not telegraph at all. The breaks last year in fact compel those interested to confront the real difficulty. I believe it is now admitted here from the experience of this line and of the Great Northern Extension along Siberia to China that the efficient maintenance of a land telegraph through a waste or half barbarous country, at a profit to the shareholders, is impossible. The question then comes to be, who will keep up the Indo-European when Messrs. Siemens, as they now evidently feel, get tired of doing so? They no doubt feel a personal interest in the matter: it is essentially their scheme, but their patience will come to an end, when it costs them £12,000 or so every year. I fancy the upshot will be that the Eastern Telegraph Company, watching their opportunity, will step in when Siemens retire in disgust, and will buy up the whole concern at the present market price of the shares. *They* can put it to use as an occasional alternative line, and their monopoly would then be all the stronger in presence of the visible failure of other undertakings, which would deter competitors.

Lawson's failure has ended, as it was said would be the case, with the formation of a joint-stock company on the ruins of the collapsed firm. The capital is to be £400,000, and the plant, fixtures, stock, &c., are to be taken over at a valuation, £40,000 less than that made by Messrs. Lawson. The latter are to get £5,000 for the use of their name. Great things are of course expected, and may probably result, but everything depends on the management.

The discussion on Mr. Plimsoll's charges against English shipowners for overloading, under-manning, feebly constructing, over-insuring, and finally, of set purpose losing their vessels, has waxed fierce during the last few days, and bids fair to get yet hotter before long. That gentleman, who is one of the members for Derby, and is not himself a shipowner, took up last year the question of over-loading vessels, and has since extended his enquiries much further. From whom he derived the original impulse and who gave him his facts I hardly know, though I am told his prompter is Mr. Hall, a well-known shipbuilder of Newcastle, but at all events he has made himself so famous, or as others would say, notorious by the statements in his book recently published that he has now no choice, whatever his inclinations, but to go on with his agitation. Generally speaking his case may be said to be this. He holds that there is a class of ship-owners who build vessels of cheap, inferior, or sham materials, including, for instance, imitation instead of real bolts, then send them to sea loaded to their utmost capacity, heavily insured but under-manned, get them lost, and so make a large profit out of the loss. He gives certain instances, suppressing ships and owners' names, and gibbets one of the latter as a person notorious for excessive and habitual over-loading and reckless disregard of human life, who had lost seven ocean-going steamers and drowned more than a hundred men in less than two years. Mr. Plimsoll implies that this gentleman is a Member of the House of Commons, and since there are not many large shipowners in the House, it was not difficult for outsiders to give a shrewd guess as to the individual meant. Rightly or wrongly it was supposed that Mr. Plimsoll referred to Mr. Gourley, the junior Member for Sunderland; indeed so little secret is there in the matter, that the solicitors of that gentleman are taking proceedings against Mr. Plimsoll for libel. The particular charge being also a breach of Parliamentary privilege, Mr. Plimsoll has had to apologise for it, although it is understood he still holds by his facts. Thus matters stand for the present until a committee of enquiry shall be moved for, when the whole question will be revived. I must say it is rather hard on Mr. Gourley to rest under a stigma which no one who knows him believes that he merits. To hint, as Mr. Plimsoll seems to do, that he is almost as bad as young Wardlaw in "Foul Play," is simply ridiculous. I know Gourley more than twenty years ago—*cheu! fugaces labuntur anni*—when he was a young and promising shipbroker in Sunderland with a good connection among shipowners. He did very well with Government charters during the Crimean war, became locally influential, joined with enthusiasm in the Volunteer movement, was elected Mayor of Sunderland, and then M. P. Positively the worst thing I know against him is his weakness in sporting the designation "Colonel" on all conceivable occasions. Colonel Gourley was a leading organiser of the Belgian fetes and is decidedly popular. As a shipowner he has of course lost vessels, but Mr. Plimsoll should in fairness have stated that these losses have mostly been on risky voyages, such as to Canada during the full season—a time when all shipowners are losers. I have named this case, however, for the purpose of recalling your readers' attention to some statement I made in a letter eight or nine months ago as to the class of iron steamers now being built. I then, on the authority of a surveyor here, who was formerly a captain in the P. & O. Company's service, used an illustration to show what mere shells some of these craft were, comparing their sides when seen in a particular light to the flank and ribs of a half-starved horse. Now this is where the objectionable practices are to be found. Mr. Plimsoll has stumbled on an undoubted evil, but he has taken hold of the wrong end of the stick. There is no class of shipowners who systematically do what he charges, and whose names are so notorious that underwriters will not take a risk by one of their vessels: there are one or two, but they have no position whatever: they are almost outlaws. On the other hand, there are perfectly-respectable shipowners who by the wrong kind of vessels for safety and endurance, that is steamers, long, narrow, and thin-skinned, constructed to sail very fast, make a name and so pay themselves in two voyages. These soon get lost, not because the owner deliberately wishes it, but because the vessels have not stamina, and neither owners, sailors, nor underwriters have sufficiently taken account of the fact. If Mr. Plimsoll can stop altogether the building of such vessels, he will confer a high public service. I observe an anonymous letter in a morning paper here, which I happen to know emanates from an official of the Indian Irrigation Department, describing his adventures in a steamer of this kind on a voyage from Bombay to England. The vessel, he says, was a new three-masted screw steamer, built entirely with a view to make a large return in the shortest time possible. Part of the cargo, cotton bales, was stowed in the engine room, and about two days' coal was placed on deck. The captain, he says, "deplored that the Bombay officials were so particular about deckload, for he would have had much more on deck, and so not have been obliged to coal at Aden; in the Thames they were not nearly so particular." Four days after leaving Bombay portions of the propeller blades broke off, and on three different occasions subsequently, off the coast of Tunis, and after passing Cape de Gatt, accidents happened which, had the ship been on a lee shore, would, he declares, probably have caused her loss with all hands. I do not suppose there is any exaggeration in this, yet it would be grossly unfair to say that the owner really wished the vessel to be lost.

The cotton market has again been dull this week, owing to the free receipts at the American ports, and the difficulties of manufacturers here. There are said to be still large quantities in the interior, particularly about the Red River region, but I observe a Savannah estimate calls the total crop 3,415,000 bales, while there are still estimates from New Orleans openly three and a quarter millions. Among the planters it is said there is a strong speculative feeling in favour of high prices. Good prospects for the next crop are however reported, the planters having increased the breadth of land under cultivation, and the negro labour being better disciplined.

I have spoken of difficulties among our manufacturers here. One of the worst suspensions among them is announced this morning—that of James Marshall and Sons, cotton spinners, of Stockport and Disley, liabilities from £150,000 to £200,000, the greater part of which will fall on Liverpool. A long course of bad trading is the only explanation, and I fear the same thing must be said of a good many others still struggling to keep themselves erect.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Sores, Wounds, and Ulcers.—Every variety of sore, ulcer, eruption, boil, and carbuncle is safely stopped in its destructive course by the timely application of this healing Ointment. It arrests unhealthy and substitutes healthy action, thus curing the inflamed, irritable, and spreading diseases affecting the skin. Holloway's Ointment has gained an imperishable fame for its facility in healing old inflammatory sores about the shins and ankles, and for bad legs and old wounds it cannot be equalled; nor is it less efficacious in gathered breasts and abscesses. When the complaints has been of long continuance, Holloway's Pills will expedite recovery. If used in these cases which it is alterative in the blood will tone on the constitution.

BOMBAY.

BOMBAY EXHIBITION.—We observe that the admission fee is reduced to half a rupee.

PUBLIC PROSECUTOR AT CANARA.—Mr. Sheshgri Vittul has been appointed Public Prosecutor in the Canara district.

SPECIAL LENT SERVICE will be held at Christ Church, Byculla, at 8 P.M. this evening, when the Bishop of Bombay will deliver an address.

A PLEADER AS A SUBORDINATE JUDGE.—Mr. Shavaksha Sorabjee Davur, a Pleader of the High Court, has been appointed Subordinate Judge at Bhewndy.

THE WEATHER AT AHMEDABAD.—The weather at Ahmedabad is at present extremely hot. Small pox is prevalent in almost all the talookas of the Collectorate.

COLLECTOR OF DHARWAR.—Mr. E. P. Robertson, Collector and Magistrate of the district of Dharwar, has been allowed privilege leave for three months from the 10th April next.

A SALUTE of fifteen guns was fired from the saluting battery at 2 P.M. yesterday on the departure from Bombay of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to Poona.

THE VEHAR LAKE.—The height of water in the Vehar Lake for the week ending Saturday, 15th March, was 43 feet 8 tenths; in the corresponding week last year it was 40 feet 5 tenths.

ACCIDENT.—A labourer employed at the Imperial Cotton Press fell on Wednesday from a height of about twenty feet, thereby fracturing his left leg. He was removed to the Jamsetjee Hospital.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE.—Dr. W. F. Knapp, one of the Professors of the Grant Medical College, who is now on leave to Europe, has been granted an extension of leave for a period of six months.

ASSISTANT TO THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL.—Mr. F. J. Shepherd, Assistant to the Accountant General, Bombay, has been allowed an extension of leave for a period of four months, on sick certificate.

THE LATE FIRE AT GODRA.—The damage done by the fire at Godra on the 5th inst., by which upwards of 300 houses were burned down, is officially estimated at between Rs. 60,000 and Rs. 1,00,000.

KNOCKED DOWN BY A CARRIAGE.—On Wednesday evening a Mahomedan boy was knocked down by a carriage driven by a gentleman on the Breach Candy Road. The boy was much hurt and was removed to the Jamsetjee Hospital.

A MURDER CASE AT AHMEDABAD.—At the last Criminal Sessions held at Ahmedabad there was a case in which four persons were charged with the murder of an old man. There being insufficient evidence, the accused were acquitted.

THEFT.—A Maratha named Gunoo Babajee was yesterday charged at the Girgaum Police Court with stealing a quantity of rice belonging to a gram merchant, and was, on conviction, sentenced to six weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

ILLEGAL SALE OF LIQUOR.—Yesterday at the Girgaum Police Court, Mr. Cooper sentenced a European named Charles Smith to pay a fine of Rs 100 for selling spirituous liquor in a house on the Duncan Road without a licence from the Commissioner of Police.

JUDGE AND SESSION JUDGE OF DHARWAR.—Mr. W. Sandwith, Judge and Session Judge of Dharwar, has been allowed leave of absence, on medical certificate, for one year, to proceed to Europe. Mr. N. M. W. Daniell has been appointed to act for him during his absence.

ELPHINSTONE COLLEGE.—Mr. F. J. Candy, Professor of Mathematics in the Elphinstone College, has been granted leave of absence for twenty months, and Mr. Govind Vithul Karkure has been appointed as Acting Professor of Mathematics during Mr. Candy's absence.

THE ASSAULT CASE.—We mentioned in Wednesday's *Gazette* that Thomas Collins, a seaman, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment by Mr. Nana Morojee for assaulting Mr. Inspector Sweeney. We are assured that the complainant in the case was a seaman of the name of Sweeney and not the Inspector of Police.

SASSOON MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—The second lecture in connection with the Sassoon Mechanics Institute for the Session of 1872-73 will be delivered at the Rooms of the Institute this evening at 8-30 by Theodore Cooke, Esq., C.E., M.A., LL.B, Principal of the Poona Civil Engineering College, on "*Spectrum Analysis.*" The lecture is open to the public.

STATEMENT OF SILVER BALANCE IN THE MINT.—Value of silver in the Mint on the morning of the 10th March 1873, Rs. 87,89,878; add, silver received during the week, Rs. 2,210; total balance, Rs. 87,92,088. There are in addition 2,75,188 rupees' worth of silver bullion belonging to private individuals deposited in the Mint vaults, and awaiting assay.

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, the 18th March, was 347, being 34 more than in the preceding week, 70 less than the total of the week ending 19th March 1872, and 8 less than the mean of the corresponding period in the previous five years. During the week 222 births were reported in the different districts of the city.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY IN THE SHIPPING OFFICE.—Robert Wilkinson and Peter Robertson, seamen, were yesterday charged before the Senior Magistrate, at the instance of Mr. Walker, Shipping Master, with being drunk and disorderly in the Shipping Office. They pleaded guilty and were each fined ten rupees, with the alternative of a week's rigorous imprisonment.

EXAMINATION FOR THE OFFICES OF SUBORDINATE JUDGE, &c.—The following candidates have passed the examination for the offices of Subordinate Judge and of Vakeel of the High Court. The names are in order of merit:—Messrs. W. Scott Howell, Harrilal Chaganlal Satyavadi, Dorabjee Temuljee Kapudia, Ardaseer Bezonjee, Lalshankar Umiashankar Turvadi, Harisukhram Manekram Mehta, and Kalabhai Lallookbhai.

A MARWAREE SENT TO JAIL.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Nana Morojee, a Marwaree pawn broker named Teja Mana, was charged with having in his possession fourteen pieces of silk, wearing apparel, and two embroidered skull caps, of the aggregate value of Rs. 50, reasonably suspected of being stolen or fraudulently obtained. Prisoner was convicted and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

SERIOUS ASSAULT.—Mr. C. P. Cooper, Second Magistrate of Police, attended at the Jamsetjee Hospital on Wednesday, and took the deposition of a Hindoo woman, who is supposed to have been seriously assaulted, and who now lies in the hospital in a precarious state. The woman, whose name is Salee, deposed—I am a widow and live at Camateepoora. Three or four days ago, on a Sunday, two brothers, the prisoners Bagoodoo and Ranadoo, struck me. I am uncertain who struck me on the head—one of them did with a stick. I fell down senseless. When I recovered my senses I found myself here in the hospital.

INSTALLATION AT LODGE "EASTERN STAR."—The annual meeting for installing the new Worshipful Master at the above Lodge was held on Monday last at the Freemasons' Hall, Mazagon. There was a large attendance of Masters and Past Masters as well as of members of other Lodges. Wor. Bro. Furdoonjee N. Coyajee, the immediate Past Master of the Lodge, performed the ceremony of installing the Master Elect Wor. Bro. Framjee Kaikhosro Patuck, into the Eastern chair. The new Master then invested his officers with the jewels of their respective offices, the principal of whom were the following:—Bro. Dinsha Dorabjee Mistree, Senior Warden; Bro. Nusserwanjee Coyajee, Junior Warden; Bro. Sorabjee N. Cooper, Treasurer; Bro. Pherozsha Merwanjee Jeejeebhoy, Secretary; Bro. Dinsha Nowrojee Saklatwalla, Senior Deacon; Bro. Dhunjeesha Muncherjee, Junior Deacon; and Bro. Muncherjee Framroz, Inner Guard. The brethren afterwards adjourned to a banquet, where the usual Masonic toasts were drank and some excellent speeches made.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

THE Hon. the Governor in Council is pleased under Act X. of 1872, to invest magistrates of the first class in charge of divisions of districts in the Province of Sind, with power to hear appeals from convictions by magistrates of the second and third classes (section 266) in their respective divisions, subject to such exceptions as may be made and notified in particular cases.

The above notification to have effect from 1st April 1873.

By order of the Hon. the Governor in Council.

C. GONNE,
Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 17th March 1873.

HIGH COURT.—21ST MARCH.

[Before the Hon. Sir CHARLES SARGENT.]

LONG CAUSES.

401-71—Jefferson and Payne—Chubildas Lullobhoy v. Arthur Travers Crawford—Leathes and Crawford.

451-71—Mr. C. Peile—The Secretary of State in Council, &c., v. Chubildas Lullobhoy—Jefferson and Payne.

5-72—In person—Ramjee Bhoga and another v. The Hon. M. Nathoobhoy and others—Manisty and Fletcher.

6-72—In person—Ramjee Bhoga and another v. Khimjee Withul and another—In person.

7-72—Thackersi and Chalk—Ludwig Adolph B. v. Goculdas Cullianjee—Shapurjee and Thakurdas.

8-72—Manisty and Fletcher—Kureembhoy Khuiao v. Rahimbhoy Hubibbhoy and another—Dallas and Lynch.

9-72—Jefferson and Payne—Mahomedally Jewakhan v. Hajee bin Meya bin &c. and others—Rimington, Hore and Langley.

12-72—Shapurjee and Thakurdas—Khetsey Oobhaya and another v. Cooverseey Khetsey and another—Thacker and Chalk.

14-72—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—Richard Latham and others v. Lalljee Lallia and others—C. Tyabjee.

15-72—Keir, Prescot and Winter—The Central Bank of W. India v. Archibald Thomson and others—No appearance.

16-72—Craigie, Lynch and Owen—Bappoo Sagoo Naiquin v. Casee Naiquin—Jefferson and Payne.

23-72—Jefferson and Payne—Eduljee Burjorjee v. Pallonjee Jamsetjee—Craigie, Lynch and Owen.

26-72—J. Gopsill—Anunta Baharao v. Baghoba Crustnajee and another—Tyabjee.

31-72—Dr. Dallas (for pauper)—Nunnoo Moya bin, &c v. Motiram Sobhagram—No appearance.

32-72—Dr. Dallas (for pauper)—Chatao Meya Mohomed, &c., v. Motiram Sobhagram—No appearance.

33-72—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Hajee Esmail Hajee, &c, v. Hajee

A DISPUTE ABOUT A MONASTERY.

MANDAS GOORBOBUKUSDAS AND OTHERS v. JUGUNNATHDAS GOORBOBUKUDAS AND OTHERS.

At the High Court the other day Mr. Starling, instructed by Mr. Shamrao Pandurang on behalf of the plaintiffs, applied to Mr. Justice Green for a rule *nisi* requiring the defendant Jugunnathdas to shew cause why he should not be restrained from any longer superintending or interfering with the property of the Kubeerpunthi monastery, situated at Old Nagpada; and the defendants Lalbas and Narrondas to shew cause why they should not be restrained from exercising the functions of chief officiating priests and rulers of the monastery and interfering with the management of its property, and from prosecuting suit No. 474 of 1872 in the High Court as representatives of the Kubeerpunthi community; and why a fit and proper person should not be appointed receiver to take charge of and manage the property of the monastery, and to receive and collect the rents and profits of it, &c.

The facts connected with the Kubeerpunthi sect are curious. The plaintiffs are "sahdoos" or monks of the sect, which is a caste of mendicants, founded about three hundred years ago by Kubeer Dhurrumdas at or near Benares, and are members of the monastery at Bombay situated at Old Nagpada. The defendant Jugunnathdas was the "mahunt" or chief officiating priest and ruler of the monastery in Bombay, and, as such, was the trustee of its moveable and immoveable property. He was appointed "mahunt" in November 1868 by a "panja" or letter of mandate given by Pragutnam Saheb, the head priest and chief ruler of the whole of the Kubeerpunthi sect in India. The duty of a "mahunt" is to act as the governor or ruler of the monastery, to perform certain religious services which cannot be performed by any other members of the sect, and to superintend and manage all the property of the sect. He is to receive and realise the rents and profits, to keep the property in repair, to pay the rates and taxes, to remit a certain portion of the income in each year to the supreme ruler at the chief monastery in Kumurda, and to expend the balance in charitable and pious purposes proper to the religious usages of the sect, and, amongst other objects, in feeding and maintaining those members of the sect who frequent the monastery over which he is the "mahunt." The property of the various monasteries of the sect is the produce of the gifts of pious Hindus and of alms received by the members in mendicancy. The "mahunt" has no interest or estate in the property except such as may be necessary for the right discharge of his duties. By a decree made by the High Court in Suit No. 204 of 1869, it was ordered that Jugunnathdas should pay to each of the defendants in that suit, during the term of their natural life, Rs. 10 a month, and permit each of them to occupy rent-free, during the like term, a room in the upper storey of a chawl, situated at Grant Road, belonging to the monastery; and at no time to eject them therefrom; and that he should permit the plaintiff Ramdas to reside in the monastery or (at the pleasure of Ramdas) pay him Rs. 10 a month and permit him to occupy a room in the chawl during the term of his natural life. About five months after taking charge of the office of "mahunt," Jugunnathdas entirely changed his mode of life. He began to carry on mercantile business and to mix in the ordinary affairs of life, contrary to the ascetic and mendicant customs and practices of the sect. He leased portions of the monastery for purposes other than those for which it was intended; and in 1870, in violation of his duty as "mahunt," and in fraud of the said religious and charitable use and purposes, he raised a sum of Rs. 15,000 from Madhowjee Dhurumsey, Rs. 5,000 from Cursetjee Nullwalla, and Rs. 1,300 from Kuma Heera and others, to whom he mortgaged the property of the charity and put them in possession thereof as security for the mortgage. The first of the mortgagees has threatened to sell the property under a power of sale contained in the mortgage deed. When his creditors began to press him hard, Jugunnathdas absconded from Bombay without having entrusted the management of the monastery and its property to any fit and proper person. They had been taken charge of and are managed by the defendants without any authority. By the rules and practice of the sect, the plaintiffs are the only persons entitled to succeed to the mahuntship in the absence of Jugunnathdas, who, the plaintiffs submit, has by his acts shown himself unfit to hold the office. They pray that he should be dismissed by the Court of the said office, and that one of them should be appointed in his place. In September 1872, the defendants presented a petition to the Court to be allowed to sue in *forma pauperis* to set aside the mortgage of Madhowjee Dhurumsey; but they did so in their own name without setting forth any sufficient authority given to them or possessed by them to do so. The plaintiffs, therefore, filed a suit against them, praying, among other things, as above set forth.

His Lordship granted a rule *nisi* as applied for.

INDIAN ITEMS.

In future the steamers of the Messageries Maritimes will henceforth touch at Naples both going and coming.

DR. WHISHAW officiates as Civil Surgeon of Lucknow during the absence of Dr. Cannon, who proceeds home immediately.

SURGEON-MAJOR G. H. RAY, M. D., 13th Bengal Cavalry, has been appointed officiating Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, Oudh Circle, in the place of Dr. Archer, going on leave.

IT is estimated that before the youthful Maharaja of Mysore comes of age, the sum available for expenditure on irrigation works in the State will be considerably over half a million sterling.

AT the instance of the local administration at Mysore, the Supreme Government have sanctioned the disbursement of Rs. 2,000 towards the construction of a building for a native school near the cantonment of Bangalore.

AT the last Criminal Sessions at Dacca, nine prisoners were sentenced to transportation for life on a charge of dacoity in one case, and two prisoners sentenced to death, and three to transportation for life, in another case of dacoity accompanied by murder.

THE *Oudh Excelsior* briefly announces another military murder which took place at Lucknow on the 7th instant. Whilst certain companies of H. M.'s 40th Regiment were coming out of barracks for their usual drill, a private belonging to it, with gun in hand, took his stand under a tree adjacent to the Sergeants' Mess, and deliberately shot a comrade.

THE expense of preparing and printing the district manuals and general *Gazetteer* for the Madras Presidency has been fixed at Rs. 60,000. Of this sum the *Gazetteer* is estimated to cost Rs. 10,000, and a sum of Rs. 15,000 has already been spent on four manuals, the compilers of which received Rs. 2,500 each. The balance of Rs. 35,000 is all that remains for the expenses of the other sixteen district manuals and as the printing expenses in each case come to fully Rs. 1,000, the compilers will have to be content with one hundred guineas only, instead of the sum allotted to their more fortunate brethren. Lord Hobart, however, trusts that there will still be found "able and zealous officers, willing to engage in the work for the love of the country, for the love of letters, and in the hope of distinction."

HEADS OF INTELLIGENCE.

(*Home News*, Feb. 28.)

In the House of Lords, on the question of British subjects being allowed to wear decorations of honour awarded to them by foreign powers, Lord Granville stated that it was not intended to depart from the Constitutional rule of obtaining the consent of our own Sovereign to enable a person to wear such decorations. His lordship has also stated that the report of the Spanish steamer Murillo being discharged was not true. The inquiry by the Spanish authorities was still pending. The bill to legalise marriage with a deceased wife's sister has been read a first time. Their lordships have agreed to a joint committee of both Houses on the transfer and amalgamation of railways and canals. The Chelsea Waterworks Bill has been thrown out on its second reading by a majority of forty-one votes.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Grant Duff has stated that an improved map of Central Asia will shortly be issued by the War Office. In a debate on the Army Estimates, Colonel Barttelot called the attention of the House to the length of service of regiments in India, and moved that such service ought to be shortened. After a long debate the motion was withdrawn. The House then went into committee of supply on the Army Estimates. The total amount asked for is £14,416,400. Mr. W. Fowler has met this by a proposition to reduce the army by 10,000 men. The debate stands adjourned. The Marquis of Hartington has stated that it is not the intention of the Government to proceed with the Galway election prosecutions. A motion by Mr. Seely for substituting a Secretary of State for the Board of Admiralty was negatived by 114 to 13. The Scotch Poor Law Bill has been thrown out on its second reading, and the Bastardy Laws Amendment Bill has been read a third time and passed.

The 300th anniversary of the birth of Copernicus has been celebrated at Thorn, in Prussian Poland.

The report of the Committee of Thirty has been laid before the French Assembly, where it has been favourably received. The contending parties in the Assembly have agreed not to separate till they have organised a second Chamber, modified the electoral law, and provided for the transmission of powers. The Bonapartists are about to advocate a *plé biscite*. The health of M. Thiers is completely restored.

There has been a change of Ministry in Spain, and Senor Figueras has been chosen President. The King of Italy has addressed an autograph letter to King Amadeo on his abdication. Italy, Austria, and the majority of the European Powers have decided to maintain relations with the present Spanish Ministry pending the formation of a regular Government. It is asserted that Don Carlos has crossed the Spanish frontier, and that a Carlist general is marching on Madrid with four battalions of troops. A report that a marriage has been arranged between Prince Alphonso and a daughter of the Duc de Montpensier, with the latter as Regent during the minority of the Prince, requires confirmation.

It is reported that the Russians are contemplating a military port at the Bay of Balaklava, to be connected with Sebastopol by a canal.

Her Majesty has paid two short visits to London this week, and yesterday held a Court at Buckingham Palace. To-morrow the Queen will return to Windsor.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will hold a *levee* on behalf of Her Majesty on March 4, and next week will pay a visit to the Duke of Rutland at Bervoir Castle. His Royal Highness has presided over the thirty-first anniversary of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.

Mr. Robert Fowler has given notice to move on the 4th of March that it is desirable that the statement of the financial affairs of India should be made at a period of the session when it can be fully discussed.

The election for Wigtonshire has resulted in the return of Mr. Vans Agnew, the Conservative candidate, by a majority of fifty-seven votes over Lord Dalrymple.

Mr. John Bright has reappeared in the House of Commons.

In two appeal cases before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council this week, Beerchunder Jobraj v. the Receiver of the Supreme Court, and Nawab Mulka and others v. Mahomed Ushkuree Khan and others, their lordships have deferred judgment.

The appeal of Mr. Edwin James to be re-admitted to the English Bar has been rejected by the judges.

The Select Committee on Indian Finance has had two sittings this week, at both of which Sir Charles Trevelyan has given very important evidence.

OBITUARY OF THE WEEK.—Maj.-Gen. H. Bower, Mad. Ret.; Col W. J. Bradford, Mad. Ret.; Baron Sir W. F. Channell; Major C. Pearce, late Bengal Army; Capt. R. Taylor, Mad. Ret.; Rev. T. Guthrie, Edinburgh; Sir G. de la Poer Beresford, Bart.; the Dowager Lady Shelley; Rev. T. Barclay, Principal of Glasgow University; the Rev. Sir J. E. Phillips, Bart; the Hon. Mrs. Clifton Wilkinson; Lady Elizabeth Williams; W. Winstanley, Esq., J. P. for Lancaster; Mrs Anastasia Dolby.

MOUNTED RIFLEMEN.

(*Times.*)

We have been favoured with the following interesting letter upon this important subject by Colonel Sir Henry Havelock:—

"Colonel Hamley's able advocacy of the principle of Mounted Riflemen has directed so much attention to the subject lately, that I venture to ask you to publish some particulars of the practical working of such a force which are but little known. Their having occurred under my own observation will, I hope, plead my excuse for making use of the first person in speaking of them where it is unavoidable.

"All through my father's campaign in 1857 the want of cavalry to follow up his successes was painfully apparent. Later, in the first half of 1858, when we had abundant cavalry, their feebleness in pursuits when far detached from infantry, their great losses and the small results, attracted much attention. This led me, among others, to think of a remedy.

"In July 1858, Sir John Douglas, K. C. B., was directed to clear the Shahabad district. He had, in all, over 5,000 men, but scattered over 35 posts in a vast district; while the rebels, some 4,000 men, including the old Dinapore Brigade, the 7th, 8th and 40th Native Infantry intact, held a central position in a jungle, 20 miles long by three broad, in the heart of the district. This position enabled them to baffle us. Whenever they were pursued, as we entered the jungle at one side they left it at the other, marched rapidly to a distant part of the country, and as soon as the pursuit was abandoned, from the limited marching power of our infantry under that sun, returned quietly to their old haunts in the jungle. Their speed made them complete masters of the situation. They collected the revenue of the district and established such a reign of terror that no inhabitant dare furnish us with information or provisions. This game had lasted from July 1857, to September 1858—14 months.

"Bearing this in mind, it occurred to me, as principal Staff Officer to Sir John Douglas, to propose, during an interval in the operations, the formation of a body of mounted infantry. Sixty men from the 10th Foot, good shots and accustomed to horses, were carefully chosen, and drilled for three weeks to the alternate mounted and dismounted action of Dragoons properly so called. In October the General again took the field. In pursuance of his plans, five columns were to converge round the Jugdespore Jungle by noon on the 13th of October, hem the rebels in on all sides, and make a combined attack on their position. All worked admirably until the last moment of the concentration. Then, one column of the five was three hours late in completing the circuit. The sepoys saw the breach, slipped through the gap immediately, and were once more at large in the district. There was nothing left for us but the old story of a long, 'stern chase' again.

"Now the mounted infantry came into play. A light column was formed of four troops of the 2nd Battalion Military Train, acting as light cavalry. To these were added the 60 Mounted Riflemen of the 10th Foot, and 100 irregulars; and I had the good fortune, as originator of the mounted infantry idea, to be intrusted with the command. We started in pursuit. Two strong columns of infantry, under Sir John Douglas and the late lamented Sir William Turner, moved on parallel lines on either side of the rebels, while we, the mounted force, kept ahead of them, to turn them back.

"To state the results briefly—we marched 201 miles in five days (one day 69 miles during 20 hours in the saddle), prevented the rebels the first night from crossing the Soane; 'headed' them continually, and turned them back by our dismounted rifle fire on to the infantry columns.

"This was easy to do, by getting a couple of miles ahead of them, choosing a strong line of walls and banks across their road, placing the riflemen, dismounted and under cover in the centre; extending the four troops of the Military Train (also armed with rifled carbines) two on each flank; and keeping the irregulars, as a reserve and guard for the horses of the dismounted men, in rear of the centre. As the time to do this was always chosen, when our information had brought up one or other of the infantry columns to within two or three miles, we never failed to delay the sepoys long enough to bring them between two fires and cause them heavy loss. Our patrols constantly kept the infantry informed of the enemy's movements—when and where to expect them, and how to make the shortest cuts to get at them. Our infantry marched on an average 25 miles a day for five days, or 125 miles in all—a tremendous effort in that climate. But if it had not been for the Mounted Rifles, the infantry would never have seen the rebels again after they lost sight of them the first day.

"In short, the Mounted Rifles, either single handed or in combination with one of the infantry columns, brought the rebels to bay three times—on the 16th, 18th, and 20th of October; destroyed over 500 of them, and, by giving them no rest day or night, so harried the remainder, that they were driven out of the district into the Hills, and thence into Central India.

"The civil power resumed its authority, and a district which had been for 15 months in rebel hands, reverted at once to peace and security.

"What 5,000 of our troops had not been able to accomplish in a year, under the old system of slow movement, was done in five days by 2,000 Infantry and 400 Cavalry and Mounted Riflemen, and this wholly through the revival of the middle-age principle of fire and rapidity of movement combined in mounted infantry. So much for the power of continuous pursuit.

"These sepoys would easily have marched 30 miles a day for a week, if only allowed intervals of three or four hours at a time to undress and cook, as their religion requires. But this is what we did not give them. No sooner had they settled down to their cooking than a rousing Enfield volley drove them to the road again, and kept them going. This, repeated on several consecutive nights, 'broke their hearts,' and drove them out of the districts.

"At the end of the American war the idea of mounted infantry was worked out on a grand scale. In April 1865, when Lee was forced to evacuate the lines of Richmond, he endeavoured to retire southwesterly, with some 50,000 men, to effect a junction with General Johnstone. Sheridan, with a division of 11,000 Mounted Riflemen, in four brigades, followed in pursuit. As at Mare-la-Tour the other day, his object was to seize his enemy, detain him, and hold him first till the infantry could come up. But—differently from the Germans—Sheridan accomplished this by the rifle fire of his dismounted men alone; using his horses only to keep ahead of Lee and outflank him on every side. The result is well known. Sheridan stuck to the Southerners till, on the 9th of April, two whole Federal Infantry Corps—60,000 men—having come up, and two trains of provisions coming to Lee from the westward having been intercepted, his force reduced by famine and desertion to 42,000 men, was surrounded and forced to surrender. This brought the war to an end. Had Lee succeeded in joining Johnston—which, but for the mounted infantry heading him back, he inevitably would have done—the campaign might have lasted for another year.

"The Battle of Marsla-Tour (or Vionville), on the 16th of August 1870, stands forth pre-eminently bright as the most glorious day for cavalry that the world has ever seen. The undaunted bravery of the Prussian Horse, their entire devotion and unhesitating following of their officers, enabled 24,000 stubborn German infantry, backed by a numerous artillery, to keep over 82,000 French in check till the arrival of reinforcements insured their being shut into Metz. By these devoted charges, made by one-half of the 12,000 German cavalry present, three hours' breathing time—from 1 to 4 p.m.—was gained. A full half of the cavalry were only slightly engaged, as a detailed statement of their losses shows. By 5 p.m. the Germans had 60,000 men on the ground; by nightfall over 100,000. The French allowed the 17th to pass away in inaction. By the morning of the 18th, 220,000 Germans barred the way to Verdun, and the opportunity for escape was gone.

"Judging by the light of after-events, it may be said that the fate of France was sealed on the 16th of August—that those two German Cavalry Divisions bore the destiny of half Europe and of two Empires on their swords: grand results of discipline and skill, of devotion as great as at our own Balaclava, and of military science twice as practical.

"But it still remains an open tactical question whether these results would not have been better gained—that is, with less loss of life—by a combined application of charging and dismounted action instead of by mere headlong charging alone. For instance, the most brilliant charge—that of Bredow's Brigade (7th Cuirassiers and 16th Uhlans), noble almost beyond anything in history—cost 349 officers and men, killed and wounded, out of about 820, and 519 horses out of the same number, and its effect was only momentary.

"No guns were carried off; the infantry that were ridden over (they had not time to form square, so skilfully was the charge led under cover of ground till the moment of impact) were not dispersed, but inflicted fearful loss on this Brigade, by their rifle fire, in its retreat.

"But had this Brigade—to put a hypothetical case as the only means of illustrating the argument—been followed in second line at a trot by one or two battalions of Mounted Riflemen, at some 500 yards' distance, a totally different result might have been gained. The Mounted Riflemen would have halted, dismounted, and immediately got into position on reaching the silenced guns that had been ridden through.

"Their horses would have found immediate shelter in the hollow which concealed the advance of the Cuirassiers till they were close upon the batteries. The cavalry, passing on at full career some 500 yards further, would then have retired round one or both flanks of the dismounted riflemen, completed, shrouded and protected by their fire. The French cavalry counter attack would have been checked at once. The ground covered by that splendid charge would have been thus permanently held, the guns secured, and a salient point 800 yards in advance, and on a crest in the centre of the enemy's position, gained. The mounted riflemen thus thrown forward could have been reinforced, in less than ten minutes, by their own infantry, and in the meantime the returning Cuirassiers and Uhlans, retiring round both flanks under cover of their fire, and reforming a second line behind them in security, would have been an intermediate support. Their heavy losses in retreat, principally sustained from rifle fire, would have been avoided.

"Again, supposing one-half of the 12,000 German cavalry present, or about the number that played a comparatively passive part, had been employed, in dismounted action, against Bazaine's weak point between the Bois-des-Ognons and the Bois-de-Vaux, above Gorze, and threatening his communication with Metz, is it not probable that they would have brought his forward march to a standstill, just as effectually and at half the loss of life, as by the fearfully costly charges made on his front?

"I do not presume to put forward these questions as any speculative opinions of my own; but having had the advantage of discussing the subject, on the ground itself and just after the battle, with General Sheridan—an eye-witness of the fight, and certainly the greatest living authority as to what mounted riflemen can do—I think it right to make public the conclusions he formed on the spot, only wishing that I could express them as forcibly and lucidly as he did. These are questions that are occupying some of the keenest and most practical minds in the German Army at this moment. The opinion seems universal that an intermediate arm, to act as above indicated in combination with cavalry, is a technical necessity, brought on by breech-loading fire.

"Though the German Horse in the complete demoralization after Worth were able to ride all over the country, a few Uhlans accepting the submission of large cities like Nancy, and carrying terror every where, as soon as the Franc-Tireur movement became serious, this was stopped short at once. Under a little rifle fire from woods and hedges this free riding was paralyzed; no cavalry patrol could move without some Jagers, generally in a cart, to take care of it. Uhlans, and even Cuirassiers, felt themselves at a disadvantage, and armed themselves with the Chassepot whenever they could. The inference from this impulse of self-preservation is a safer guide than any tactical theory.

"The disasters of the splendid French cavalry further point the moral of the helplessness of the '*arme blanche*' against breech-loaders. Their magnificent Cuirassiers, brave and devoted as in the best days of the First Empire, were destroyed in headlong charges against infantry, without the slightest result. The 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 8th, and 9th Regiments of that arm at Worth; the 5th and 6th at Mouzon on the 30th of August; the Cuirassiers of the Guard at Vionville, or nine out of their 11 Cuirassier Regiments, were literally thrown away, in hopeless efforts under a false tactical system. In the same way, the brigade composed of the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Chasseurs d'Afrique were annihilated at Sedan, without even breaking through the infantry whom they charged. The German fire, partly of skirmishers, partly delivered in line, destroyed them at 150 yards. Only a few individuals ever reached the bayonets, there to be shot down or captured. How invaluable to France might have been even this one brigade alone, which carried a long rifle and had been trained to fight on foot, if it would have survived, to be used in detached raids against the long German lines of communication in November and December. By that time the French cavalry no longer existed. What might even only 2,000 horsemen have effected if handled as Sheridan or Stuart, of Confederate fame, would have used them, when the siege train was on its slow way to Paris? How would it have fared with the rails and tunnels of the long miles to the frontier if the French had read the teachings of the American war as to cavalry aright?

"To look in another direction, Russia has thoroughly adopted the mounted rifle idea. The Cossacks of the Imperial Guard were told, after a great review some 12 months ago, that they were henceforth to carry a rifle and work on foot. Already 42,000 breach-loaders have been issued to the Cossacks. Let it be remembered that Russia possesses over 200,000 of these light horsemen. When next we meet them, be it in Afghanistan or on the Danube, it will be as carefully trained mounted infantry that their excellent qualities will be utilized.

"For us this question is of more importance than to any other nation. Could we put 6,000 sabres into the field? And where are our cavalry reserves, of men or of horses, for this handful? All the more urgent that we should not throw away a single man or horse whom we cannot replace by adherence to an exploded practical theory. If we had 72,000 cavalry like Germany, it would be different. Lastly, this is the only way to bring out the real value of our Yeomanry. No country in the world is so suited as England for dismounted rifle action, because no other has such features of ground, where, at every mile, you find a crest on which riflemen can act in position under cover, while their horses are sheltered, close at hand, in the next hollow. The Yeomanry are coming out this year. Why should not a beginning be made with them? We have now an officer at the Horse Guards, better qualified than any one else to give the details. Colonel Jenyns, C.B., Assistant Adjutant General, late 13th Hussars, trained his whole regiment to act in this way in Canada, in 1867-68."

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